

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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| LRB Number 01-3042/3 | Introduction Number SB-317 | Estimate Type Original |
| Subject Sturgeon fishing regulation | | |

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Bill Summary: This bill increases the sturgeon spearing license fee from \$9.25 for residents and nonresidents to \$39.25 for residents and \$199.25 for nonresidents. It also removes the sturgeon spearing license from the patron license and eliminates the requirement that a person hold a fishing license to be issued a sturgeon-spearing license. The bill creates a segregated appropriation and requires that moneys received from the sale of sturgeon spearing licenses be deposited to that appropriation and used to cover the costs of administering the licenses and for assessing and managing the lake sturgeon stock and fishery in the Lake Winnebago and Upper Fox and Wolf Rivers systems.

Fiscal Estimate:

Assumptions:

1. Based on prior years' data, under current law the Department would expect to sell approximately 81,000 patron licenses annually, approximately .03%, or 24 of which, would be sold to nonresidents. Of the 81,000 patron licensees, approximately 13,000 request sturgeon spearing licenses.
2. Based on prior years' data, apart from patron license sales, under current law the Department would expect to sell approximately 300 sturgeon spearing licenses annually, approximately 11%--or 33--of which would be sold to nonresidents.
3. Under current law, apart from patron license sales, sturgeon spearing license fees would generate \$2,775 (300 licenses x \$9.25).
4. The Department assumes that removing the sturgeon spearing licenses from those included in the patron license will not decrease the number of patron licenses sold.
5. The Department assumes that the increase in the sturgeon spearing license fee proposed under the bill, coupled with the removal of the license from the patron license package, will result in 50% fewer sturgeon spearing licenses being requested annually.
6. Based on the above-listed assumptions, under the bill, 6,500 of the 13,000 patron licensees who previously would have requested a sturgeon spearing license would purchase a separate sturgeon spearing license at the higher fee, generating license fee revenue of \$255,446 (6498 resident licenses @ \$39.25 and 2 nonresident licenses @ \$199.25 each).
7. Additionally, based on the above-listed assumptions, under the bill, 50%--or 150--of those who previously would have purchased a sturgeon spearing license outside the patron license will continue to purchase the license generating revenue of \$8,607 (133 resident licenses @ \$39.25 and 17 nonresident licenses @ \$199.25).
8. Net revenue expected to be generated as a result of this bill is therefore \$261,300, rounded to the nearest hundred. That is, \$255,446 + \$8,607 - \$2,775.
9. As drafted, this change is effective 7 months after publication. If the bill is effective on March 10, 2002, which is the first day of the new license year, there would be no additional costs to the Department's Automated License Issuance System (ALIS).

If the effective date of the bill is at any other time, there would be an additional ALIS cost of \$3,000 one-time for a special download to change the price, and possibly the appearance, of the licenses.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

None

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2001 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

Original
 Updated
 Corrected
 Supplemental

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| I. One-time Costs or Revenue Impacts for State and/or Local Government (do not include in annualized fiscal effect): | | | |
| \$3,000 for change to ALIS system to modify price and appearance of license. | | | |
| II. Annualized Costs: | | Annualized Fiscal Impact on funds from: | |
| | | Increased Costs | Decreased Costs |
| A. State Costs by Category | | | |
| | State Operations - Salaries and Fringes | \$ | |
| | (FTE Position Changes) | | |
| | State Operations - Other Costs | | |
| | Local Assistance | | |
| | Aids to Individuals or Organizations | | |
| | TOTAL State Costs by Category | \$ | \$ |
| B. State Costs by Source of Funds | | | |
| | GPR | | |
| | FED | | |
| | PRO/PRS | | |
| | SEG/SEG-S | | |
| III. State Revenues - Complete this only when proposal will increase or decrease state revenues (e.g., tax increase, decrease in license fee, etc.) | | | |
| | | Increased Rev | Decreased Rev |
| | GPR Taxes | \$ | \$ |
| | GPR Earned | | |
| | FED | | |
| | PRO/PRS | | |
| | SEG/SEG-S | 261,300 | |
| | TOTAL State Revenues | \$261,300 | \$ |
| NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT | | | |
| | | <u>State</u> | <u>Local</u> |
| | NET CHANGE IN COSTS | \$ | \$ |
| | NET CHANGE IN REVENUE | \$261,300 | \$ |
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