

Fiscal Estimate - 2001 Session

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LRB Number **01-1964/1** Introduction Number **SB-66**

Subject
 Preference system for bear hunting approvals

Fiscal Effect

State:

No State Fiscal Effect
 Indeterminate
 Increase Existing Appropriations
 Increase Existing Revenues
 Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget
 Decrease Existing Appropriations
 Decrease Existing Revenues

 Yes No
 Create New Appropriations

 Decrease Costs

Local:

No Local Government Costs
 Indeterminate

1. Increase Costs 3. Increase Revenue
 Permissive Mandatory
 Permissive Mandatory
 2. Decrease Costs 4. Decrease Revenue
 Permissive Mandatory
 Permissive Mandatory

5. Types of Local Government Units Affected

Towns Village Cities
 Counties Others
 School Districts WTCS Districts

Fund Sources Affected **Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations**

GPR FED PRO PRS SEG SEGS 20.370(9)(mu)

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Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Bill Summary:

Under current law, the department of natural resources (DNR) issues two types of bear hunting licenses. A Class A bear hunting license allows the license holder to shoot and kill bear. A Class B license allows the holder to assist a Class A license holder in pursuing and baiting bear, and training dogs to pursue bear, but it does not allow the license holder to actually shoot at or kill bear.

Under current law, DNR administers a cumulative preference system for issuing Class A bear licenses if the number of applicants for the license exceeds the number of licenses available. Under the system, an applicant may apply for a license or may apply for only a preference point if he or she is not seeking a license for the upcoming bear hunting season. DNR gives a preference point to each person who applies for a license and to each person who applies for a license but who is not selected. The more preference points an applicant has, the higher priority he or she is given in issuing the licenses. Under current law, an applicant seeking these preference points need not be eligible to receive a hunting license.

This bill requires that an applicant seeking these preference points must be at least 12 years old on the first day of the upcoming bear hunting season and be eligible for a hunting license on that date. It will prevent individuals who are not eligible to hold hunting licenses from accumulating preference points.

Fiscal Estimate:

The 12-year-old provision of this bill clarifies the law and is consistent with the DNR's current practice of handling applications from 11-year-olds on an exception basis. However, because current law does not contain the 12-year-old provision, the DNR has not built this provision into its Automated License Issuance System (ALIS). Minor programming changes are needed to implement the 12-year-old provision in the ALIS system.

It would cost approximately \$5,000 in one-time programming charges to modify ALIS to implement the eligibility provisions of this bill and to check the applicant's birth date against the season opening date.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2001 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

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I. One-time Costs or Revenue Impacts for State and/or Local Government (do not include in annualized fiscal effect):			
\$5,000 to make programming changes in ALIS			
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			
TOTAL State Revenues		\$	\$
NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT			
		<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>
NET CHANGE IN COSTS		\$	\$
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE		\$	\$
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