

Fiscal Estimate - 2007 Session

Original Updated Corrected Supplemental

LRB Number 07-0755/1		Introduction Number AB-0180	
Description The use of ethnic names, nicknames, logos, and mascots by school boards; prohibiting the Department of Natural Resources from using the word squaw in the name of a lake or stream; granting rule-making authority; and providing a penalty			
Fiscal Effect			
State:			
<input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate			
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations	<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues	<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget	
<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations	<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations		<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs	
Local:			
<input type="checkbox"/> No Local Government Costs			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate			
1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs	3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue	5. Types of Local Government Units Affected	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	<input type="checkbox"/> Towns	<input type="checkbox"/> Village <input type="checkbox"/> Cities
2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs	4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenue	<input type="checkbox"/> Counties	<input type="checkbox"/> Others
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> School Districts	<input type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts
Fund Sources Affected		Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations	
<input type="checkbox"/> GPR <input type="checkbox"/> FED <input type="checkbox"/> PRO <input type="checkbox"/> PRS <input type="checkbox"/> SEG <input type="checkbox"/> SEGS			
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Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

AB 180 would allow a school district resident to object to a school board's use of an ethnic name, nickname, logo or mascot by filing a complaint with the State Superintendent of Public Instruction. If discrimination is found, the school board must terminate use of the name, nickname, logo or mascot within 12 months. For each day that the school board continues to use the name, nickname, logo or mascot (after this 12 month period), they are subject to a forfeiture of \$100-\$1,000.

AB 180 would also prohibit the DNR from using the word "squaw" in the name of a lake or a stream. If "squaw" is currently being used, the name must be changed.

State: Costs to DPI will be related to the number of complaints that are brought to the State Superintendent. Because it is not known how many, if any, complaints will be made, the costs are indeterminate.

Local: There are approximately 40 schools in the state that currently use American Indian names, nicknames, logos or mascots. If required to terminate the use of the ethnic name, nickname, logo or mascot, costs to a school district would be related to the replacement of existing supplies, team uniforms and associated inventory that currently bear the name, nickname, logo or mascot, and would vary from district to district. It is unknown how many, if any, residents of districts will file complaints and how many hearings will result in termination of the name, nickname, logo or mascot. Thus, local costs are indeterminate.

It is also not known how many, if any, districts will not terminate use of their name, nickname, logo or mascot if ordered to do so. These districts would be subject to a forfeiture of \$100-\$1,000 per day. It is not known how many days that districts would remain out of compliance or the exact amount they'd be ordered to pay. Therefore, the fiscal effect of these provisions are also not able to be determined.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications