

Fiscal Estimate - 2009 Session

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LRB Number 09-3072/1		Introduction Number SB-247	
Description Information about land purchased with stewardship funding and approval by the Joint Committee on Finance of certain activities and projects that receive stewardship funding			
Fiscal Effect			
State:			
<input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect <input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues <input checked="" 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 checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory 5. Types of Local Government Units Affected <input type="checkbox"/> Towns <input type="checkbox"/> Village <input type="checkbox"/> Cities <input type="checkbox"/> Counties <input type="checkbox"/> Others <input 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 checked="" 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

The bill reinstates a statutory requirement for the Department to make available a directory of all land that is purchased with funding from the stewardship program and that is open to the public. In addition, it reinstates a statutory requirement for the Department to provide a list of all stewardship land acquired before October 27, 2007, for which public access has been prohibited or restricted as well as the reason for the restriction or prohibition.

Assumptions

There are two ways that the Department can comply with the requirement to provide a directory of all land that is purchased with funding from the stewardship program and that is open to the public:

1. By producing and maintaining an on-line, interactive web map of all DNR publicly accessible land, including land that has been purchased through the Stewardship Program--this includes land that is either owned and managed by the Department or land that is acquired by local units of government and non-profit conservation organizations with the assistance of a grant from the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Grant Program. The online option enables the Department to provide more frequent updates to the information than would be possible with printed versions. Since the Department already provides this information through its interactive web mapping application, which is an interactive online map viewer, there is no fiscal impact to providing the information required by the bill in this manner
2. By sharing information on DNR publicly accessible land with a private publisher that can incorporate the information into the print maps that it sells to the public. There would be no little or no cost to the Department to provide the information to the publisher. If the Department is provided the opportunity to proof the product prior to publication, it will require about 120 hours of LTE staff time to complete the proofing process. Assuming an hourly LTE salary and fringe rate of \$20.36, the estimated cost of map proofing is about \$2,400. This cost estimate assumes that the Department would be able to find a private publisher willing to work with the Department and that the Department could specify that the information be updated as frequently as the bill requires. If the Department cannot find a private publisher to work with, it will incur costs that are significantly higher than the aforementioned \$2,400 estimate.

The Department assumes that it can comply with the requirement to provide a list of all stewardship land acquired before October 27, 2007 that is not publicly accessible by publishing the list on its website. Therefore, the Department estimates one-time costs of \$3,300 and approximately 160 hours of LTE staff time that would be required to review each land transaction prior to October 27, 2007 and determine the type of restriction that was placed on the property and the reason why the restriction was placed (160 hours x \$20.36/hour salary and fringe). Additional staffing costs will be incurred for permanent staff to review the list.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2009 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):			
\$3,300 in one-time costs to publish list of stewardship land acquired before October 27, 2007 that is not publicly accessible			
II. Annualized Costs:		Annualized Fiscal Impact on funds from:	
		Increased Costs	Decreased Costs
A. State Costs by Category			
	State Operations - Salaries and Fringes	\$2,400	\$
	(FTE Position Changes)		
	State Operations - Other Costs		
	Local Assistance		
	Aids to Individuals or Organizations		
	TOTAL State Costs by Category	\$2,400	\$
B. State Costs by Source of Funds			
	GPR		
	FED		
	PRO/PRS		
	SEG/SEG-S	2,400	
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			
		State	Local
	NET CHANGE IN COSTS	\$2,400	\$
	NET CHANGE IN REVENUE	\$	\$
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