

Fiscal Estimate - 2011 Session

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LRB Number 11-2007/1	Introduction Number SB-093
Description Going armed with weapons, possessing or transporting a firearm, bow, or crossbow under certain circumstances, disorderly conduct limitations, and electric weapons	
Fiscal Effect	
State:	
<input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate	
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations	<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs
Local:	
<input type="checkbox"/> No Local Government Costs <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate	
1. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenue <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	
<input type="checkbox"/> GPR <input type="checkbox"/> FED <input type="checkbox"/> PRO <input type="checkbox"/> PRS <input type="checkbox"/> SEG <input type="checkbox"/> SEGS	
Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations	
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Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill repeals a number of current prohibitions related to possession of firearms, bows and crossbows, including:

1. The prohibition against going armed with a concealed and dangerous weapon.
2. The prohibitions against going armed with or possessing a firearm in most public buildings, but retains the ability for an employer to prohibit their employees from possessing a concealed weapon during the course of their employment.
3. The prohibition against going armed with or possessing a firearm which is a handgun in a state park or a wildlife refuge.
4. The requirements that any type of firearm be unloaded and encased and that the bows or crossbows be unstrung or encased in order to be placed or transported in or on a vehicle or an ATV. The bill retains the requirement that a firearm be unloaded and encased in order to be carried on a commercial aircraft, but not in a private or non-commercial aircraft.
5. The prohibition against shining wild animals, including but not limited to deer, bear and elk while in possession of a firearm when the firearm is a handgun.

Assumptions

The Department anticipates there will be an increase in complaints and incidents of individuals hunting from vehicles and roadways with shotguns, rifles, handguns, bows and crossbows as a result of this bill allowing individuals to possess these weapons loaded and uncased in or on any vehicle. The Department also would expect to see an increase in illegal shooting of wild animals, such as deer, by individuals who will be allowed to possess loaded, uncased handguns while shining wild animals, regardless if they are shining from a vehicle or not.

With the changes made under this bill, it is not possible to accurately estimate the level of increase the Department will see in complaints related to unlawful hunting from roadways and vehicles by individuals who will be allowed to possess loaded uncased rifles, shotguns, muzzleloaders, handguns, bows and crossbows in vehicles and to possess handguns while shining.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications