



## Fiscal Estimate Narratives

DNR 1/3/2018

LRB Number	17-0339/1	Introduction Number	AB-0722	Estimate Type	Original
<b>Description</b> vehicle admission receipts issued to certain members of the military					

### Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

The bill requires DNR to charge a reduced admission fee to state parks and DNR recreational sites for out-of-state vehicles owned by certain members of the military.

DNR sells annual and daily State Park and Forest admission stickers or passes based on the license plate on the vehicle entering the property. Wisconsin license plates are issued admission stickers that are unique from non-resident admission stickers.

Current statute requires charging all non-resident vehicle admissions at a higher rate than resident vehicle admissions.

#### Annual Vehicle Admission Stickers

- o Non-Wisconsin plate: \$38
- o Wisconsin plate: \$28
- o Wisconsin plate senior citizen: \$13
- o Non-Wisconsin plate – additional vehicles: \$20.50
- o Wisconsin plate – additional vehicles: \$15.50

#### Daily Vehicle Admission Stickers

- o Non-Wisconsin plate: \$11-\$16 (DNR charges \$11)
- o Wisconsin plate: \$8-\$13 (DNR charges \$8)
- o Wisconsin plate senior citizen: \$3

#### One-Hour Vehicle Admission Stickers

- o Non-Wisconsin plate: \$5
- o Wisconsin plate: \$5

#### Exemptions from Vehicle Admission Stickers

- o All vehicles from November 1 – March 31st, with limited exceptions in administrative rule
- o State resident active military during 3-day weekends of Memorial and Veterans days
- o Federal, State, or local government employees while performing duties
- o Vehicles providing park services or supplies
- o Any vehicle not stopping within the State Park
- o Senior citizen and disabled veteran recreation card holders
- o Conservation patron licensees
- o Towed vehicles
- o School buses
- o Vehicles taking K-12 and home-educated students to extra-curricular activities
- o Vehicles with Wisconsin resident US military veterans service-disabled 70% or greater
- o US armed services prisoners of war

#### Assumptions

##### A. Revenue

It is difficult to predict revenue loss because it is unknown how many admissions have been sold to non-resident active duty military members. Each annual admission sticker sold at the resident rate would result

in a loss of \$10.00 (\$38-\$28), and each daily pass would result in a loss of \$3.00 (\$11-\$8).

According to the United States Census Bureau, Wisconsin's 2016 population was 5.779 million people. According to the US Department of Defense and the US Census Bureau, there are fewer than 400 military personnel per 100,000 civilians in Wisconsin.  $5,779,000 / 100,000 \times 400 = 23,116$  military personnel in Wisconsin. That is about 0.4% of the population in Wisconsin.

In 2016, DNR sold 35,950 annual non-resident admission stickers for \$1,366,100. DNR also sold 165,014 daily admission stickers for \$2,327,047. If we apply 0.4% to the 35,950 annual passes and 165,014 daily passes sold to non-residents in 2016, DNR assumes it sold 144 annual admissions and 660 daily admissions to non-resident active military. Had it been in effect in 2016, DNR estimates the bill would have reduced 2016 revenue by \$3,420  $[(144 \times \$10) + (660 \times \$3)]$ .

#### B. Costs

DNR assumes staff workload costs would increase to gather information from customers to sell the admission sticker. Further, additional administrative time would be needed to prepare the remittance and ensure accurate fiscal reporting. Further, many DNR properties have self-registration available when they are unstaffed or closed after business hours. DNR assumes increased workload associated with correcting purchases made by non-resident active military visitors.

Additional costs are estimated at \$725 based on an increase of 3 minutes per pass at a rate of \$18 per hour.  $(3 \text{ minutes} \times 804 \text{ passes} / 60 \text{ minutes} \times \$18 \text{ per hour})$ . There also may be some additional printing costs for any needed forms estimated at \$500 per year. Total estimated annual costs are \$1,225  $(\$725 + 500)$ .

#### **Long-Range Fiscal Implications**

## Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2017 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

Original
  Updated
  Corrected
  Supplemental

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<b>Description</b> vehicle admission receipts issued to certain members of the military		
<b>I. One-time Costs or Revenue Impacts for State and/or Local Government (do not include in annualized fiscal effect):</b>		
<b>II. Annualized Costs:</b>		
<b>Annualized Fiscal Impact on funds from:</b>		
	Increased Costs	Decreased Costs
<b>A. State Costs by Category</b>		
State Operations - Salaries and Fringes	\$800	\$
(FTE Position Changes)		
State Operations - Other Costs	500	
Local Assistance		
Aids to Individuals or Organizations		
<b>TOTAL State Costs by Category</b>	<b>\$1,300</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>B. State Costs by Source of Funds</b>		
GPR		
FED		
PRO/PRS		
SEG/SEG-S	1,300	
<b>III. State Revenues - Complete this only when proposal will increase or decrease state revenues (e.g., tax increase, decrease in license fee, etc.)</b>		
	Increased Rev	Decreased Rev
GPR Taxes	\$	\$
GPR Earned		
FED		
PRO/PRS		
SEG/SEG-S		-3,500
<b>TOTAL State Revenues</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$-3,500</b>
<b>NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT</b>		
	<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>
NET CHANGE IN COSTS	\$1,300	\$
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE	\$-3,500	\$
<b>Agency/Prepared By</b>		
<b>Authorized Signature</b>		<b>Date</b>
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