

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

DNR 12/26/2023

LRB Number	23-5124/1	Introduction Number	SB-0780	Estimate Type	Original
Description nonresident archer and crossbow hunting license fees					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

The bill increases the fee for the nonresident archer hunting license and the nonresident crossbow hunting license from \$162.25 to \$197.25, which is the current fee for a nonresident deer hunting license.

I. Background Information & Assumptions

A. Current law establishes a variety of hunting, trapping and fishing approvals and specifies fees that are in general lower for residents than nonresidents. Under 2023 Wisconsin Act 19 (effective July 7, 2023), both the nonresident archer license Wis. Stat. § 29.563(2)(b)6.) and the nonresident crossbow license (Wis. Stat. § 29.563(2)(b)6m.) fees were increased by \$5.00, to \$162.25. Act 19 did not alter the issuing fee or wildlife damage surcharge applied to these two licenses; therefore, including the \$0.75 issuing fee and the \$2.00 wildlife damage surcharge, the total amount paid by the customer for either a nonresident archer license or a nonresident crossbow license is \$165.00. (Wis. Stat. § 29.563(2)(b)6m.)

B. As of November 26, 2023, for the current 2023-24 license year, the department has sold 5,882 nonresident crossbow licenses and 9,638 nonresident archer licenses, for a combined total of 15,520 licenses.

C. The bill proposes to increase the price of a nonresident archer license and the nonresident crossbow license by \$35.00 to \$197.25. The bill does not alter the current issuing fee or wildlife damage surcharge applied to these two licenses; therefore, including the \$0.75 issuing fee and the \$2.00 wildlife damage surcharge, the total amount paid by a customer for either a nonresident archer license or a nonresident crossbow license would increase to \$200.00 (which is consistent with the current fee cost of the nonresident deer hunting license).

D. The bill does not alter the cost of the nonresident archer upgrade or the nonresident crossbow upgrade, so the cost of this license upgrade will remain at \$3.00.

E. The bill does not include an effective date; therefore, if passed into law, the license fee changes will take effect on the day after the date of publication.

II. Fiscal Effect

I. One-Time Costs

DNR will incur one-time costs to make necessary changes to GoWild, train customer service representatives and retail license agents, and update department web pages and hunting/trapping/fishing regulations. However, the department can absorb the one-time implementation costs with existing resources.

A. Modify the automated licensing issuance system: 20 hours * \$51.59/hour (average business analyst rate plus applicable fringe) = \$1,031.80

B. Update web pages, agent resources, and public communication materials: 10 hours development * \$55.49/hour (average policy advisor rate plus applicable fringe) = \$554.90

C. Train Customer Service Representative (CSR) staff: [5 hours training development * \$55.49/hour (average policy advisor rate plus applicable fringe)] + [1 hour * 100 CSRs * \$24/hour (average CSR rate plus applicable fringe)] = \$2,677.45

D. Total one-time implementation costs = \$4,264.15 (\$1,031.80 + \$554.90 + \$2,677.45), rounded to \$4,300.

II. Revenue

Revenue for nonresident archer licenses and nonresident crossbow license revenue will increase annually by

\$35 for each nonresident archer or nonresident crossbow license sold. During license year 2023, through November 26, 2023, the department sold 15,520 nonresident archer and nonresident crossbow licenses.

Assuming the demand for these two nonresident licenses sold this year remains constant, the total annual revenue increase anticipated is approximately \$543,200 (15,520 x \$35).

However, the impact to revenue is indeterminate at this time, as the department cannot determine how nonresident archer and crossbow license sales will be impacted by these nonresident license fee increases. It is also indeterminate whether this nonresident license fee increase will impact the sales of archer upgrade and crossbow upgrades.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2023 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

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 Supplemental

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I. One-time Costs or Revenue Impacts for State and/or Local Government (do not include in annualized fiscal effect): Total one-time implementation costs of \$4,300.		
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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