

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 4735-01
Bill No.: HB 1627
Subject: Agriculture and Animals; Law Enforcement Officers and Agencies; Veterinarians
Type: Original
Date: April 8, 2004

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.
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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials with the **Attorney General's Office, Department of Public Safety - Water Patrol, Fire Safety and Highway Patrol, Department of Conservation, Department of Natural Resources, Office of State Courts Administrator and Public Defender** assume no fiscal impact to their agencies.

Officials with the **Department of Agriculture** did not respond.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2005 (10 Mo.)	FY 2006	FY 2007
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government

FY 2005
(10 Mo.)

FY 2006

FY 2007

\$0

\$0

\$0

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

DESCRIPTION

This bill prohibits the breeding of large carnivores which are defined as certain cats of the Felidae family or any species of bear. Except as provided in the bill, the possession, ownership, or transfer of ownership of a large carnivore is also prohibited.

The bill provides requirements for the permitting, confinement, sanitation, feeding, transporting, identification, veterinary care, seizure, and euthanasia of large carnivores. The requirements are in addition to any applicable state or federal law and do not preclude any local political subdivision from adopting more restrictive laws. Certain entities, law enforcement officials, animal control officers, and veterinarians are exempt from the bill.

The penalty for violations varies according to the severity of the offense.

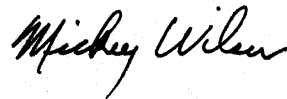
This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Attorney General's Office
Department of Public Safety -
 Water Patrol
 Fire Safety
 Highway Patrol
Department of Conservation
Department of Natural Resources
Office of State Courts Administrator
Public Defender

NOT RESPONDING

Department of Agriculture



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