COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.:3622-01Bill No.:HB 1230Subject:Conservation Dept.; Military Affairs; FeesType:OriginalDate:February 15, 2006

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	60	60	¢0.	
Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
Conservation Commission	(Less than \$860,946)	(Less than \$860,946)	(Less than \$860,946)
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	(Less than \$860,946)	(Less than \$860,946)	(Less than \$860,946)

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses. This fiscal note contains 4 pages.

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0	

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Public Safety**, **Office of the Director**, **Missouri Army Reserve National Guard**, and **Missouri Veterans Commission** assume this proposal would have no fiscal impact on their organizations. Officials from the Army Reserve National Guard stated that active duty military personnel stationed in Missouri do not necessarily become Missouri residents, and also stated that National Guard members may be residents of other states which share a border with Missouri.

Officials from the **Department of Conservation** (MDC) assume this proposal would eliminate hunting and fishing license or permit fees for military personnel, National Guard personnel, and reserves. MDC officials estimate there are 60,000 active duty military personnel in Missouri, and 34,000 Missouri National Guard and Reserve personnel. A national survey indicated that 30% (28,200) of those personnel would participate in hunting and fishing, with approximately 10% (9,306) participating in both hunting and fishing, and approximately 20% (18,894) participating only in fishing.

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ASSUMPTION (continued)

MDC assumed the hunting and fishing group would also participate in deer and turkey hunting, and estimated an annual permit fee loss of \$53 per person, for a total of \$493,218. (9,306 x \$53 = \$493,218). The estimated permit fee loss for the fishing only group would be \$226,728. (18,894 x 12 = 226,728). MDC also estimated a federal matching funds loss of \$141,000, and a total loss of \$860,946.

Oversight notes that the proposal eliminates the hunting or fishing license or permit fee for military personnel but does not eliminate the requirement to apply for a license or permit, and assumes MDC could require proof of residence before issuing a license or permit. Therefore, Oversight assumes that the revenue loss would be less than the amount calculated by MDC.

FISCAL IMPACT - State Government CONSERVATION COMMISSION FUND	FY 2007 (10 Mo.)	FY 2008	FY 2009
<u>Revenue reduction</u> - Conservation Fees and permits	(Less than \$860,946)	(Less than \$860,946)	(Less than \$860,946)
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON CONSERVATION COMMISSION FUND	<u>(Less than</u> <u>\$860,946)</u>	<u>(Less than</u> <u>\$860,946)</u>	<u>(Less than</u> <u>\$860,946)</u>
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2007 (10 Mo.)	FY 2008	FY 2009
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

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DESCRIPTION

This proposal would eliminate hunting and fishing license or permit fees for military personnel, National Guard personnel, and reserves.

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

Department of Conservation Department of Public Safety Office of the Director Missouri Army Reserve National Guard Missouri Veterans Commission

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