COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 4825-01 <u>Bill No.</u>: HB 2125

Subject: Environmental Protection; Natural Resources Dept.; Licenses - Misc

<u>Type</u>: Original

<u>Date</u>: March 10, 2008

Bill Summary: Creates laws relating to environmental permit coordination.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	60	60	60	
Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	
Total Estimated Net Effect on Other 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 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	0	0	0	

- □ Estimated Total Net Effect on All funds expected to exceed \$100,000 savings or (cost).
- ☐ Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund expected to exceed \$100,000 (cost).

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Natural Resources (DNR)** assume this proposal would allow DNR to process multiple permits for a given facility in an orderly manner that facilitates the planned work and efficiently processes the permits involved. For example a mining operation requiring air, water, and land reclamation permits would have the permits scheduled so the minor permits are scheduled consistently with the more critical permits, so neither the facility nor the public expend excessive time and effort on public meetings and review on individual permits when they can be combined. DNR will maintain at least the minimum public participation for each permit as required by law; processing permits closer together in time may allow the department to timely address multimedia issues that arise in public forums.

New procedures would be established over time as the concept of unifying permits is refined through implementation. DNR anticipates changes to permit processing to be assimilated into the permitting processes gradually for routine multiple-permit facilities and on a case-by-case basis for individual major facilities. DNR would not anticipate a fiscal impact from this proposal.

FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2009 (10 Mo.)	FY 2010	FY 2011
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2009 (10 Mo.)	FY 2010	FY 2011
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

Yes. Small businesses requiring multiple permits will have the permitting process focused so all permits are processed in concert with each other, resulting in a more concise and efficient regulatory interface.

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FISCAL DESCRIPTION

The proposed legislation appears to have no fiscal impact.

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

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