COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 4238-01 <u>Bill No.</u>: HB 1374

Subject: Animals; Conservation, Department of; Liability

Type: Original

Date: December 31, 2015

Bill Summary: This proposal specifies that the Department of Conservation is liable for

any damages caused by a wild otter, elk, or bear.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIM	IATED NET EFFECT	ON OTHER STATE F	UNDS
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
Conservation Commission	(Greater than \$100,000)	(Greater than \$100,000)	(Greater than \$100,000)
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	(Greater than \$100,000)	(Greater than \$100,000)	(Greater than \$100,000)

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	0	0	0

Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$100,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act.

ES	TIMATED NET EFFE	ECT ON LOCAL FUNI	DS
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

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FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials at the **Department of Conservation (MDC)** assume an unknown negative impact but estimated it to be significantly more than \$100,000 annually as there is no objective way to quantify the data.

Officials at the **Secretary of State**, **Department of Agriculture**, and **Department of Natural Resources** each assume this proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations.

FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
CONSERVATION COMMISSION FUND	(10 Mo.)		
<u>Costs</u> - MDC - liable for damaged caused by wild otter, elk or bear	(Greater than \$100,000)	(Greater than \$100,000)	(Greater than <u>\$100,000</u>)
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON THE			
CONSERVATION COMMISSION FUND	(Greater than <u>\$100,000</u>)	(Greater than <u>\$100,000</u>)	(Greater than <u>\$100,000</u>)
CONSERVATION COMMISSION	•	•	•

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

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FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This bill holds the Department of Conservation liable to the owner of any crops, property, or animals damaged by a wild otter, elk or bear.

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 Secretary of State Department of Agriculture Department of Natural Resources

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