

HF1403 - 3A - "Trade in Prohibited Animal Parts Prohibit"

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| State Fiscal Impact | Yes | No |
|---------------------------|-----|----|
| Expenditures | X | |
| Fee/Departmental Earnings | | X |
| Tax Revenue | | X |
| Information Technology | | X |
| Local Fiscal Impact | | X |

This table shows direct impact to state government only. Local government impact, if any, is discussed in the narrative. Reductions shown in the parentheses.

| State Cost (Savings) | Biennium | | | Biennium | | |
|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| | Dollars in Thousands | FY2019 | FY2020 | FY2021 | FY2022 | FY2023 |
| General Fund | - | 60 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Total | - | 60 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Biennial Total | | | 64 | | | 8 |

| Full Time Equivalent Positions (FTE) | Biennium | | | Biennium | |
|--------------------------------------|----------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| | FY2019 | FY2020 | FY2021 | FY2022 | FY2023 |
| General Fund | - | - | - | - | - |
| Total | - | - | - | - | - |

Executive Budget Officer's Comment

I have reviewed this fiscal note for reasonableness of content and consistency with MMB's Fiscal Note policies.

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State Cost (Savings) Calculation Details

This table shows direct impact to state government only. Local government impact, if any, is discussed in the narrative. Reductions are shown in parentheses.

*Transfers In/Out and Absorbed Costs are only displayed when reported.

| State Cost (Savings) = 1-2 | | Biennium | | | Biennium | |
|--|----------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Dollars in Thousands | FY2019 | FY2020 | FY2021 | FY2022 | FY2023 | |
| General Fund | - | 60 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Total | - | 60 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Biennial Total | | | 64 | | | 8 |
| 1 - Expenditures, Absorbed Costs*, Transfers Out* | | | | | | |
| General Fund | - | 60 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Total | - | 60 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Biennial Total | | | 64 | | | 8 |
| 2 - Revenues, Transfers In* | | | | | | |
| General Fund | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Total | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Biennial Total | | | - | | | - |

Bill Description

This bill would provide a new section of law that strengthens prohibitions for trafficking in wild animal parts. Current federal law addresses interstate trafficking and sales, but does not adequately address trafficking and sales within the state. The bill provides for an outreach and education program to communities by DNR.

Assumptions

The legislation is intended to provide additional tools to prohibit trafficking in wild animal parts and is a proactive initiative. DNR is not aware of any current activity in the state that this legislation would be directly applied to. DNR Conservation Officers work closely with US Fish and Wildlife Service agents on trafficking and unlawful sales of wildlife/parts and will continue that working relationship under this legislation. No additional investigative efforts have been identified at this point, and the legislation is not anticipated to require additional staff or costs, or result in additional revenue to the state.

For the outreach and education component of the bill, DNR will coordinate the development of educational materials with appropriate organizations, utilizing internal and external outreach and communication experts. Portable travel displays can include information about in-state trade in prohibited animal parts including photo or replica examples of prohibited animal parts. A communications plan will be developed that strives to identify the most effective interactions with target audiences and to ensure that the message will have high exposure.

Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula

First year set up costs include researching, planning, and designing displays and video messaging will involve:

- 300 hours of communications professionals time @ \$57/hr = \$17,100
- Professional media development time/contracts (video and displays) - \$38,000
- Portable durable display for use at state fair, county fairs, community festivals, and other events @ \$500 each x 5 portable displays = \$2,500
- Professional language translation services = \$2,000

- TOTAL costs identified = \$59,600

Annual costs thereafter would be an update or enhanced communications plan and display presentation and replacement of worn or damaged display equipment.

- 40 hours of communications professionals time @ \$57/hr = \$2,280
- Professional language translation services = \$1,000
- Portable durable display replacement \$500 each x 2 displays + \$1,000

Long-Term Fiscal Considerations

Costs will be incurred into the future to update and enhance content information, and replace worn display equipment.

Local Fiscal Impact

None identified.

References/Sources

None identified.

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