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Fiscal Note

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HF1502 - 0 - "Est Certified Salt Applicator Program"

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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	
	FY2019	FY2020	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023
Dollars in Thousands					
Environmental	-	68	53	53	53
Total	-	68	53	53	53
Biennial Total			121		106

Full Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)	Biennium			Biennium	
	FY2019	FY2020	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023
Environmental	-	1	1	1	1
Total	-	1	1	1	1

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	
Environmental	-	68	53	53	53	
Total	-	68	53	53	53	53
Biennial Total			121			106
1 - Expenditures, Absorbed Costs*, Transfers Out*						
Environmental	-	173	158	158	158	
Total	-	173	158	158	158	158
Biennial Total			331			316
2 - Revenues, Transfers In*						
Environmental	-	105	105	105	105	
Total	-	105	105	105	105	105
Biennial Total			210			210

Bill Description

A bill establishing a certified salt applicator program, including best management practices, online training and testing, and record keeping. Limits liability for certified commercial applicators. Allows MPCA to charge a \$350/trainee fee.

Assumptions

1 FTE of MPCA program and administrative staff time would be needed to operate the program. Additional costs include contractor costs to teach the classes, database and online training/testing module development, training materials, and training venues.

Per year costs are based on an estimate of 30 trainees/class and 10 classes/year. This would cost MPCA approximately \$15,800/class and \$527/trainee. Actual costs will vary depending on the demand for classes. The bill proposes a \$350/trainee fee, which would offset some of the training program costs.

A database, online training, and testing components must be created using MN.IT or an outside contractor.

Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula

1 FTE/year x \$121,000/FTE = \$121,000/year

Contractor/vendor cost to teach the training classes = \$18,500/year

MPCA estimates it will be \$25,000 for the first year to create the database, online training, and testing components, and update the Smart Salting Assessment tool, and \$10,000 each subsequent year for maintenance and updates.

Training site rental (when applicable), training manual, lunch for trainees, proof of completion cards = \$8,500/year

\$350 charge/trainee x 30 trainees/class x 10 classes/year = \$105,000/year in revenue

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Long-Term Fiscal Considerations

N/A

Local Fiscal Impact

N/A

References/Sources

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