

Subject Beaver Control
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Overview

This bill would require the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to reimburse a person for the costs associated with the removal of beavers and beaver dams under certain conditions.

Summary

Section	Description
1	<p>Special permit for taking protected wild animals.</p> <p>States that the costs of taking beaver damaging property or removing/destroying beaver lodges/dams under a special permit from the DNR are reimbursable under new provisions established in section 3.</p>
2	<p>Petition to district court.</p> <p>States that the costs of court ordered actions to address beaver dams that cause a threat to safety or serious damage to property are eligible for reimbursement under the new provisions established in section 3.</p>
3	<p>Cost reimbursement.</p> <p>States that a person incurring beaver control costs under a special permit from the DNR or under a court order to do so are eligible for reimbursement. Eligible costs include taking the beaver, removing/destroying a dam/lodge, repairing damage to property, or removing impairments caused by the beaver. Requires the person to submit receipts and requires reimbursement be made within 45 days. States that the costs must be reimbursed from the DNR's base budget (no additional funds are appropriated). Allows the amount of the reimbursement to be reduced by any grant received under the beaver damage control grant program administered by the Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR).</p>



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