

FISCAL NOTE

Requested by Legislative Council

12/23/2004

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 2113

1A. **State fiscal effect:** *Identify the state fiscal effect and the fiscal effect on agency appropriations compared to funding levels and appropriations anticipated under current law.*

	2003-2005 Biennium		2005-2007 Biennium		2007-2009 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
Revenues				\$90,000		\$45,000
Expenditures						
Appropriations						

1B. **County, city, and school district fiscal effect:** *Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.*

2003-2005 Biennium			2005-2007 Biennium			2007-2009 Biennium		
Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts

2. **Narrative:** *Identify the aspects of the measure which cause fiscal impact and include any comments relevant to your analysis.*

Qualifying nonresidents will be able to purchase a life time hunting and fishing license for \$500. This will result in initial up front revenue, but will, in the long-term result in a revenue loss. Currently a nonresident fishing license costs \$35, the upland game bird hunting license package costs \$100 and a waterfowl license costs an additional \$85. If a nonresident normally purchases these licenses costing a total of \$220, that person would recover their initial \$500 investment in three years. A person who did not hunt waterfowl would recover the investment in about five years.

3. **State fiscal effect detail:** *For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1A, please:*

A. **Revenues:** *Explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.*

It is difficult to estimate the number of these \$500 lifetime licenses that would be sold. About 45,000 nonresidents purchase North Dakota hunting licenses each year. Only a small percentage of these are eligible to purchase the nonresident lifetime license. If five percent purchase the license, 2,250 lifetime licenses would be sold. It is expected that sales the first two years would be much less than this, but no information exists to provide a solid estimate. Sales of 300 licenses is used for the 2005-07 estimate. Additional licenses would be sold each year with the first two bienniums showing some revenue increase, but revenue losses would steadily increase after that. The numbers provided are only an educated guess, but it is clear that there would be an initial revenue increase followed by revenue reductions after three to five years.

B. **Expenditures:** *Explain the expenditure amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency, line item, and fund affected and the number of FTE positions affected.*

C. **Appropriations:** *Explain the appropriation amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, of the effect on the biennial appropriation for each agency and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.*

Indicate the relationship between the amounts shown for expenditures and appropriations.

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