FISCAL NOTE

Requested by Legislative Council 01/05/2007

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1149

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.

| J | 2005-2007 Biennium | | 2007-2009 | Biennium | 2009-2011 Biennium | |
|----------------|--------------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
| | General Fund | Other Funds | General Fund | Other Funds | General Fund | Other Funds |
| Revenues | | | | \$5,500 | | (\$6,000) |
| Expenditures | | | | \$2,500 | | \$0 |
| Appropriations | | | | | | |

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

| 2005-2007 Biennium | | 2007-2009 Biennium | | | 2009-2011 Biennium | | | |
|--------------------|--------|---------------------|----------|--------|---------------------|----------|--------|---------------------|
| Counties | Cities | School Districts | Counties | Cities | School Districts | Counties | Cities | School Districts |
| | | | | | | | | |

2A. **Bill and fiscal impact summary:** Provide a brief summary of the measure, including description of the provisions having fiscal impact (limited to 300 characters).

This bill reduces the minimum age for obtaining deer gun hunting licenses from age 14 to age 12. It also provides that "doe" licenses for the youth deer season are to be issued at no cost. Currently the cost of deer licenses for youth under age 16 is \$10.

B. **Fiscal impact sections:** Identify and provide a brief description of the sections of the measure which have fiscal impact. Include any assumptions and comments relevant to the analysis.

Allowing age 12 and 13 year olds to hunt deer would initially result in an estimated 1,000 additional youth participating in the youth gun hunting season the first year. The total youth season participation the first year would be about 3,000 and the second year it would return to near the normal 2,000 hunter level. Based on historical sales, about 15% would opt to be issued a doe tag for the youth season. Increased license sales the first year would result in a one time revenue increase of \$8500. After the first year there would be a revenue decrease of about \$3,000 per year due to the 300 no charge licenses that would be issued each year.

- 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.

For the 2007-2009 biennium there would be a revenue increase of \$5500 for the Game and Fish fund. For future bienniums there would be a revenue decrease of about \$6,000 per biennium.

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.

It is estimated that the inital cost to modify the computer systems used for issuing deer licenses would be \$2500.

C. **Appropriations:** Explain the appropriation amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency and fund affected. Explain the relationship between the amounts shown for expenditures and appropriations. Indicate whether the appropriation is also included in the executive budget or relates to a continuing appropriation.

| Name: | Paul T. Schadewald | Agency: | ND Game and Fish Department |
|---------------|--------------------|----------------|-----------------------------|
| Phone Number: | 328-6328 | Date Prepared: | 01/05/2007 |