

**FISCAL NOTE**  
**Requested by Legislative Council**  
**03/15/2013**

Amendment to: SB 2231

- 1 A. **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.*

|                | 2011-2013 Biennium |             | 2013-2015 Biennium |             | 2015-2017 Biennium |              |
|----------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|--------------|
|                | General Fund       | Other Funds | General Fund       | Other Funds | General Fund       | Other Funds  |
| Revenues       |                    |             |                    | \$5,400,000 |                    | \$10,800,000 |
| Expenditures   |                    |             |                    | \$0         |                    | \$0          |
| Appropriations |                    |             |                    | \$0         |                    | \$0          |

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

|                  | 2011-2013 Biennium | 2013-2015 Biennium | 2015-2017 Biennium |
|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Counties         |                    |                    |                    |
| Cities           |                    |                    |                    |
| School Districts |                    |                    |                    |
| Townships        |                    |                    |                    |

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

The bill amendment increases hunting license fees, fishing license fees and boat registration fees.

- 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.*

A license fee increase is needed since our operating fund balance has been decreasing each year to an all time projected low of \$15M as of 6/30/15. Per NDCC 20.1-02-16.1, our fund balance may not go below \$15M without budget section approval. We are a special funds agency and do not receive general funds.

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.*

Fee increases are being projected to start in the 2014 hunting season since a fee increase for 2013 season isn't possible because the season begins April 2013. Therefore, the 2013-15 biennium has a fee increase for only 1 year. It is hard to estimate if a fee increase would have an effect on license sales; therefore, the amount in 1A is calculated using the # of licenses sold in 2011. Keeping in mind that deer licenses were low in 2011.

- 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.*

None anticipated.

- 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.*

None anticipated.

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