FISCAL NOTE
HOUSE BILL NO. 1470
LC# 25.0842.03000
01/23/2025

1 - 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.

	2023-2025 Biennium		2025-2027 Biennium		2027-2029 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
Revenues				$5,500,000		$8,200,000
Expenditures						
Appropriations						

2 - County, City, School District, and Township Fiscal Effect

Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.

	2023-2025 Biennium	2025-2027 Biennium	2027-2029 Biennium
Counties			
Cities			
School Districts			
Townships			

3 - 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 and fishing license fees for ND Game and Fish.

4 - Fiscal Impact Sections Detail

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.

The last license fee increase occurred in the 2013 Legislative Session. The new fees began in April of 2014 to align with the season license structure. The Game and Fish operating fund balance has been declining annually and is projected to reach $12.9 million by 6/30/27. According to NDCC 20.1-02-16.1, the game and fish fund balance cannot drop below $15 million without budget section approval. License fee adjustments would help address this fund balance.

5 - Revenues Detail

For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1 or 2, please explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.

The fee increases are expected to take effect in the 2026 hunting season beginning 4/1/2026. The 2025 season begins 4/1/2025. As a result, the 2025-27 biennium will see increased fees for only 15 months. The estimated sales are based on the last completed license season.

6 - Expenditures Detail

For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1 or 2, please explain the expenditure amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency, line item, and fund affected and the number of FTE positions affected.

NA

7 - Appropriations Detail

For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1 or 2, please 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 or a part of the appropriation is included in the executive budget or relates to a continuing appropriation.

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