

# FISCAL NOTE

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**REVISION**

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1391

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.*

	2001-2003 Biennium		2003-2005 Biennium		2005-2007 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
<b>Revenues</b>				\$505,000		\$1,000,000
<b>Expenditures</b>				\$400,000		\$800,000
<b>Appropriations</b>				\$0		\$0

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

2001-2003 Biennium			2003-2005 Biennium			2005-2007 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.*

This is a new system and it is difficult to predict the number of coupons that will be returned. Landowners will get payments for deer harvested on their land. Hunters who take deer on public land or do not take a deer can send in their own coupon for a \$5 refund.

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.*

The five dollar increase in the big game license fee would increase game and fish revenue by about \$505,000 per year based on 90,000 gun lottery tags(not gratis) and 11,000 archery tags. This would be for only one year of the 2003-2005 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.*

Initially there will be major computer and printing costs. This will be less after the first year. Each year there will be administrative costs to process the coupon payments. The estimated first year setup and administrative costs are \$100,000.

If appropriations are provided, there will be a maximum of about \$550,000 in payments made for coupons for each year. As written, gratis license holders will also qualify for \$5 coupon payments even though they do not pay for their license. A certain percentage of the coupons will not be returned, but this number is not know.

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.*

No appropriation is provided in this bill to make the coupon payments to the landowners. About \$500,000 will be needed for the fall of 2004 deer hunting license coupons if this is passed.

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