

Department of Planning and Budget 2001 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number** HB2096

House of Origin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

2. **Patron** Abbitt

3. **Committee** Conservation & Natural Resources

4. **Title** License to hunt bear

5. **Summary/Purpose:** This bill authorizes the Board of Game and Inland Fisheries to establish a separate license to hunt bears. If established, the cost of such a license will be \$25 for residents and \$150 for nonresidents. The holder of such a license will also have to purchase the state's basic hunting license which costs \$12 for residents and \$60 for nonresidents. Currently, the big game license allows the license holder to hunt bear, deer, and turkey.

6. **Fiscal Impact Estimates are:** Preliminary

6a. Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2000-01	\$0	0.00	N/A
2001-02	\$6,000	0.00	NGF
2002-03	\$6,000	0.00	NGF

6b. Revenue Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2000-01	\$0	0.00	N/A
2001-02	\$378,000	0.00	NGF
2002-03	\$378,000	0.00	NGF

7. **Budget amendment necessary:** No. Revenue will only result if the Board of Game and Inland Fisheries opts to issue a separate bear hunting license.

8. **Fiscal implications:** The Department of Game and Inland Fisheries issues approximately 15,000 resident bear hunting licenses. The number of nonresident bear hunting licenses is less than 20. This bill will generate additional revenue of approximately \$375,000 (15,000 x \$25) from the sale of a separate resident bear hunting license and approximately \$3,000 (20 x \$150) from the sale of nonresident bear hunting license. The printing of a new bear stamp will cost approximately \$6,000 per year.

9. **Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** Department of Game and Inland Fisheries

10. **Technical amendment necessary:** No

11. **Other comments:** None

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cc: Secretary of Natural Resources

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