

## Department of Planning and Budget 2001 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number** HB2546

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

**2. Patron** Katzen

**3. Committee** Passed Both Houses

**4. Title** Exemptions from licenses to hunt, trap, etc., by tribe members

**5. Summary/Purpose:** This bill provides that licenses to hunt, trap, or fish are not required of Indians who habitually reside on an Indian reservation, or who are members of the recognized tribes in the Commonwealth. Such persons, however, are required to have in their possession an identification card or paper signed by the chief of their tribe, a valid tribal identification card, written confirmation through a central tribal registry, or certification from a tribal office. Such cards, papers, confirmations, or certifications must set forth that the person named is an actual reservation resident or member of the recognized tribes and create a presumption of residence, which may be rebutted. Under current law, only those Indians residing on a reservation are exempt from the license requirements, provided that they have in their possession an identification card signed by the chief of their reservation.

**6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are:** Final. See Item 8.

**7. Budget amendment necessary:** No

**8. Fiscal implications:** According to the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, there is no way to accurately determine the number of individuals who will avail themselves of the provisions of this bill.

**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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