

Department of Planning and Budget

2001 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number SB1185

House of Origin ☒ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed

Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. Patron Trumbo

3. Committee Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources

4. Title Damage caused by beavers

5. Summary/Purpose: This bill allows landowners, whose property has been damaged due to the damming of a water body by beaver activity, to seek injunctive relief against the landowner upon whose property the beaver are located. The injunctive relief may require the owner of the property where the beaver are located to remove beaver dams that are diverting water from or impounding water on an adjacent landowner's property and may require that the offending landowner provide such other relief as is necessary to prevent further damage to the adjacent landowner's property. The landowner damaged by the beaver activity would be entitled to reasonable attorney's fees.

6. No Fiscal Impact

7. Budget amendment necessary: No

8. Fiscal implications: None

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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