

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 5649-02
Bill No.: HCS for HB 1841
Subject: Fishing and Hunting; Department of Conservation
Type: Original
Date: February 2, 2018

Bill Summary: This proposal requires a hunter at least six years of age but less than 16 years of age to hunt in the immediate presence of an adult hunter with a valid hunter education certificate card.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
Missouri Conservation Fund	Could exceed (\$100,000)	Could exceed (\$100,000)	Could exceed (\$100,000)
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	Could exceed (\$100,000)	Could exceed (\$100,000)	Could exceed (\$100,000)

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.
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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	0	0	0

Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$100,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC)** assume an unknown fiscal impact from this proposal, but likely greater than \$100,000 negative fiscal impact due to lost revenue from permit sales and lost federal reimbursement through the Pittman-Robertson Act.

MDC notes the following information regarding this proposal:

Youth Permit Type	Number Sold	Youth Permit Cost
Resident Youth Spring Turkey Hunting	17,282	\$8.50
Resident Youth Fall Turkey Hunting	1,018	\$6.50
Non-Resident Youth Spring Turkey Hunting	850	\$8.50
Non-Resident Youth Fall Turkey Hunting	61	\$6.50
Resident Youth Archer's Hunting	7,067	\$9.50
Resident Youth Firearm Antlerless Deer Hunting	22,766	\$3.50
Resident Youth Firearm Any Deer Hunting	50,197	\$8.50
Resident Youth Managed Deer Hunting	333	
Non-Resident Youth Firearm Any Deer Hunting	2,649	\$8.50
Non-Resident Youth Firearm Antlerless Deer Hunting	1,279	\$3.50
Non-Resident Youth Archer's Hunting	416	\$9.50
Non-Resident Youth Managed Deer Hunting	2	
Resident Youth Archery Antlerless Deer Hunting	2,568	\$3.50
Non-Resident Youth Archery Antlerless Deer Hunting	159	\$3.50
Total Sold	106,647	

ASSUMPTION (continued)

Number of Adult Hunters 2017					
Season	Number of Hunters	Resident Cost	Born before 1/1/67 (Hunter education not required)	Born after 1/1/67 (Hunter education certified)	Born after 1/1/67 (Not hunter education certified)
Spring Turkey	83,079	\$17.00	29,194	52,819	1,066
Fall Turkey	9,164	\$13.00	4,494	4,613	57
Firearms Deer	294,293	\$17.00	102,892	186,632	4,769

To mentor, an adult must be properly licensed and either hunter education certified or exempt due to age.

Archery was not included in the number of certified adult hunters above because hunter education is not required to archery hunt.

Number of Youth Hunters 2017			
Season	Number of Hunters	With Hunter Education	Without Hunter Education
Spring Turkey	18,132	5,039	13,093
Fall Turkey	1,079	380	699
Firearms Deer	53,885	10,221	43,664

Oversight notes that if approximately 10% of the adults that accompany these youth hunters do not purchase the required permit, the impact would create the negative estimate provided by MDC of greater than \$100,000 ($106,647 \times 10\% = 10,665 \times \16 average resident cost of permit = \$170,640).

ASSUMPTION (continued)

Oversight will not show the potential impact in federal funds. The “Greater than \$100,000” fiscal impact would include any potential loss in federal aid reimbursements.

Officials from the **Department of Natural Resources** and **Department of Agriculture** each assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2019 (10 Mo.)	FY 2020	FY 2021
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**CONSERVATION COMMISSION
 FUND**

<u>Loss - Revenue from hunting, fishing, trapping and landowner permits issued to adults that accompany youth hunters</u>	Could exceed <u>(\$100,000)</u>	Could exceed <u>(\$100,000)</u>	Could exceed <u>(\$100,000)</u>
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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON THE MISSOURI CONSERVATION FUND	Could exceed <u>(\$100,000)</u>	Could exceed <u>(\$100,000)</u>	Could exceed <u>(\$100,000)</u>
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<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2019 (10 Mo.)	FY 2020	FY 2021
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This bill requires a person at least six years of age but less than 16 years of age possessing a valid hunting permit to hunt in the immediate presence of an adult hunter who is at least 18 years of age and has in his or her possession a valid hunter education certificate card. An adult hunter is not required to possess a hunting permit while accompanying the youth hunter.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

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SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Missouri Department of Conservation
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