

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. NO.: 0544-01
BILL NO.: HB 184
SUBJECT: Department of Conservation; Wild elk
TYPE: Original
DATE: December 29, 2000

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004
Conservation Commission Fund	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004
None	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.
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FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

In response to an identical proposal (SB 38) from this session, officials from the **Office of the Attorney General** assume the proposed legislation would have no fiscal impact on their agency.

In response to SB 38 from this session, officials from the **Office of State Courts Administrator** (CTS) noted that they are not aware of any significant numbers of wild elk at the present time. They also noted that there are some elk being raised as livestock. Additionally, CTS noted that they would expect one or more test cases to determine the parameters of the law. Officials assume that if a significant number of civil claims are filed against the Conservation Commission, there would be a corresponding impact on the workload and cost of the judiciary.

Officials from the **Department of Conservation** (MDC) assume the proposed legislation would have unknown fiscal impact on their agency if wild elk enter Missouri because MDC would be financially responsible for them. Officials noted that they are not aware of any wild elk in Missouri.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2002 (10 Mo.)	FY 2003	FY 2004
CONSERVATION COMMISSION FUND			
<u>Cost - Department of Conservation Expense and Equipment</u>	<u>(Unknown)</u>	<u>(Unknown)</u>	<u>(Unknown)</u>
<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2002 (10 Mo.)	FY 2003	FY 2004
	<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.

DESCRIPTION

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This proposal makes the Department of Conservation financially responsible for any damage caused to crops, livestock, property and vehicles by wild elk. Additionally, the Department would be financially responsible for personal injuries sustained due to a vehicle collision with an elk. Wild elk may be destroyed by the land owner or lessor of land when they have caused damage to such property.

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

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Conservation
Office of the Attorney General
Office of State Courts Administrator



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