

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
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**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 0127-05  
Bill No.: SCS for SB 56  
Subject: Agriculture and Animals; Conservation Department  
Type: Original  
Date: March 9, 2015

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Bill Summary: This proposal allows certain Missouri non-residents to receive reduced hunting, fishing, and trapping permit fees.

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018
Conservation Commission	(Could exceed \$250,000)	(Could exceed \$250,000)	(Could exceed \$250,000)
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds</b>	<b>(Could exceed \$250,000)</b>	<b>(Could exceed \$250,000)</b>	<b>(Could exceed \$250,000)</b>

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.

This fiscal note contains 5 pages.

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2016</b>	<b>FY 2017</b>	<b>FY 2018</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2016</b>	<b>FY 2017</b>	<b>FY 2018</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

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

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2016</b>	<b>FY 2017</b>	<b>FY 2018</b>
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

## FISCAL ANALYSIS

### ASSUMPTION

#### § 252.280 - Non-Resident Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping Permit Fees:

Officials from the **Department of Conservation (MDC)** note in 2014 there were a total of 78,100 non-resident hunting permits issued in Missouri. The average price difference between resident and non-resident hunting permits is approximately \$100. However, not all non-residents own at least 75 acres of real property in Missouri.

MDC assumes a negative fiscal impact to the Conservation Commission Fund. In 2009, MDC offered discounted deer and turkey hunting permits to non-resident landowners owning 75 acres or more. Based on permit sales, the estimated impact to hunting permits would be over (\$250,000).

**Oversight** notes in FY14 the total permits sold to non-residents (hunting, fishing, trapping, youth) were 356,919. Non-resident permit revenues totaled \$11,667,644.

**Oversight** has no way of knowing how many non-residents own 75 acres of real property in Missouri and would be assessed 50% of the non-resident fee for any hunting, fishing, or trapping permits.

**Oversight** assumes a loss to the Conservation Commission fund, could exceed (\$250,000), as provided by MDC.

Officials from the **Office of Administration - Division of Budget and Planning (B&P)** assume this proposal would require MDC to discount permits for U.S. citizens, businesses, or corporations, which are not Missouri residents, but which own a specified amount of real property in Missouri, to hunt, fish, or trap on the land they own.

B&P assumes this could decrease total state revenues and impact the state's Article X, Section 18(e) calculation.

Officials from the **Department of Revenue** and **State Treasurer's Office** each assume the proposal would not fiscally impact their respective agencies.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2016 (10 Mo.)	FY 2017	FY 2018
<b>CONSERVATION COMMISSION FUND</b>			
<u>Loss - Missouri Non-Resident Permit Fees</u>			
§ 252.280 - Reduction of non-resident hunting, fishing, and trapping permit fees for non-residents owning 75 acres	(Could exceed <u>\$250,000</u> )	(Could exceed <u>\$250,000</u> )	(Could exceed <u>\$250,000</u> )
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION FUND</b>	<b>(Could exceed <u>\$250,000</u>)</b>	<b>(Could exceed <u>\$250,000</u>)</b>	<b>(Could exceed <u>\$250,000</u>)</b>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2016 (10 Mo.)	FY 2017	FY 2018
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

§ 252.280 - Non-Resident Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping Permit Fees:

One person within a small business would expect to be assessed 50% of the non-resident hunting, fishing, and trapping permit fees if the small business owns the requisite amount of real property in Missouri.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

§ 252.280 - Non-Resident Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping Permit Fees:

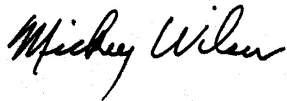
Under this proposal, an individual, business, or corporation owning at least 75 acres of real property in Missouri shall only be assessed 50% of the non-resident fees for acquiring hunting, fishing, or trapping permits for use only on the real property owned. The cost of such non-resident permits shall apply toward the cost of any other non-resident permit fees. If the landowner is a business or corporation, only one person within the business or corporation shall be eligible to use the non-resident fee reductions as specified in this act.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION (continued)

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 Administration -  
    Division of Budget and Planning  
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