

FISCAL NOTE
LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	FY 2015-16		FY 2016-17	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS		See below		See below
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS				

Any Fiscal Notes received from state agencies and political subdivisions are attached following the Legislative Fiscal Analyst Estimate.

Under current statute a person on active duty in the military who has been stationed in Nebraska for thirty days or more is eligible for resident permits to hunt, fish or harvest fur. LB 637 would extend this eligibility to the spouse of the person in the military.

The difference in the price of the various resident permits compared to the price of non-resident permits ranges from a low of \$2 (1-day fish) to a high of \$360 (5-yr hunt/fish). See the attached fiscal note from the Game and Parks Commission for a table that lists each fee.

If the spouse takes advantage of purchasing a permit(s) at the resident price there will be a revenue loss equal to the difference in price between the resident and the non-resident permit assuming the spouse would have purchased the same permit(s) at the non-resident price.

If the spouse would **not** have purchased a non-resident permit, but now that they are eligible decide to purchase a resident permit, there will be an increase in revenue equal to the resident permit fee plus it will qualify Nebraska for additional federal funds (\$89.96 per permit).

Whether this bill results in a net revenue gain or a net revenue loss to the Game Cash Fund depends on the permit buying decisions of the spouse which are not currently known, therefor the net revenue loss or gain is indeterminate but will likely be minimal.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES-STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSES			
LB: 637	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Nebraska Game and Parks Commission	
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COMMENTS: I concur with the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission's statement of fiscal impact for LB637.			

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LB⁽¹⁾ 637

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State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾

Nebraska Game and Parks Commission

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ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	<u>FY 2015-16</u>		<u>FY 2016-17</u>	
	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
CASH FUNDS	_____	-?	_____	-?
FEDERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
OTHER FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL FUNDS	=====	-?	=====	-?

Explanation of Estimate:

The proposed legislation would allow the spouse of any person in the military stationed in Nebraska to be eligible for resident permits. The chart on the next page shows the different price structure for resident versus non-resident. Stamp fees are not differentiated by residency so they are not listed, but still would be required.

The fiscal impact would depend upon the number of eligible individuals that actually purchase permits at resident rates. For those that would have purchased a nonresident permit, the difference column in the accompanying chart would represent the amount of revenue lost. If a spouse purchases a permit they would not otherwise normally purchase, the resident fee would be a net gain.

The number of military stationed in Nebraska that would qualify is not readily known. It is however anticipated that the legislation as proposed would be revenue negative.

BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

Personal Services:

<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</u>		<u>2015-16</u>	<u>2016-17</u>
	<u>15-16</u>	<u>16-17</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Benefits.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Travel.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital outlay.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Aid.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital improvements.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL.....	_____	_____	_____	_____

PERMIT	Resident	NONResident	Difference
Annual Hunt	\$ 13.00	\$ 80.00	\$ (67.00)
3-yr Hunt	\$ 36.00	\$ 216.00	\$ (180.00)
5-yr Hunt	\$ 52.00	\$ 320.00	\$ (268.00)
Annual Fish	\$ 17.50	\$ 49.50	\$ (32.00)
3-yr Fish	\$ 48.00	\$ 134.00	\$ (86.00)
5-yr Fish	\$ 70.00	\$ 200.00	\$ (130.00)
1-day Fish	\$ 6.50	\$ 8.50	\$ (2.00)
3-day Fish	\$ 11.50	\$ 16.50	\$ (5.00)
Annual Combo Hunt/Fish	\$ 29.00	\$ 120.00	\$ (91.00)
3-yr Hunt/Fish	\$ 79.00	\$ 324.00	\$ (245.00)
5-yr Hunt/Fish	\$ 120.00	\$ 480.00	\$ (360.00)
Annual Furharvest	\$ 15.00	\$ 224.00	\$ (209.00)
Deer (firearm either sex)	\$ 29.00	\$ 208.00	\$ (179.00)
Elk	\$ 149.50	\$ 448.50	\$ (299.00)
Antelope	\$ 29.00	\$ 149.50	\$ (120.50)
Turkey	\$ 23.00	\$ 95.00	\$ (72.00)