

## LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE Fiscal Note

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**Dept./Agy.:** Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries

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**Subject:** Senior Hunting and Fishing Licenses

FISHING/LICENSES OR -\$203,597 SD RV See Note Provides relative to the eligibility to purchase a senior hunting and fishing license

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<u>Present law</u> creates a senior hunting and fishing license for an annual fee of \$5. Such license is available beginning June 1st of each year and is valid through June 30th of the following calendar year. Such license shall be in lieu of basic hunting, big game, bow, primitive firearms, and waterfowl licenses. In addition, the license authorizes use of a crossbow or a bow that is drawn, held and released by mechanical means. Further authorizes magnified scopes with crossbows. <u>Proposed law</u> provides that the senior hunting and fishing license is available for purchase by any person who turns 60 years of age at any time during the calendar year in which the license is purchased.

<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Annual Total	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	\$0
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## **EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental expenditures as a result of this measure.

## **REVENUE EXPLANATION**

The proposed legislation would decrease revenues for the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (LDWF). The department has averaged 23,245 licenses annually between 2014 - 2016 to Louisiana residents who were 59 years of age for an average annual collection of \$265,308. These license sales consisted of: Residential Basic Fishing ( $$9.5 \times 9,214$ ), Residential Saltwater ( $$13 \times 5,661$ ), Residential Basic Hunting ( $$15 \times 3,127$ ), Residential Big Game ( $$14 \times 2,501$ ), Residential Bow Hunting ( $$10.50 \times 517$ ), Residential Primitive Firearm ( $$10.50 \times 916$ ), Residential Duck ( $$5.50 \times 1,032$ ), and Residential Turkey ( $$5.50 \times 274$ ).

Under the proposed legislation, seniors who will be turning 60 at any point during the year will be able to purchase a residential basic fishing and residential basic hunting for \$5 which will cover all other license categories. Based on average sales from 2014 - 2016, the department estimates the sale of 9,214 Residential Basic Fishing and 3,127 Basic Hunting licenses for \$5 each for individuals who will be 60 at any point during the calendar year (June 1 to June 30 the following year), generating \$61,711. The net decrease to the department totals \$203,597 (\$265,308-\$61,711).

<u>Senate</u> 13.5.1 >= 1	<u>Dual Referral Rules</u> \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H}	House 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}	Evan Brasseaux
	\$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H}	6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}	Evan Brasseaux Staff Director