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(Fish & game
licensing fees)

LAWS OF: 1991

CHAPTER: 286

Bill No: S2227

Sponsor(s): Dalton

Date Introduced: Pre-filed

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Senate: Natural Resources; Revenue, Finance

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denoted by asterisks.

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Following statements are attached if available:

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Committee Statement: Assembly: Yes 3-7-91 & 6-10-91

Senate: Yes 1-25-90 & 9-24-90

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 1990 SESSION

By Senator DALTON

1 AN ACT concerning fish and game licenses and amending
2 P.L.1982, c.180, R.S.23:3-3, R.S.23:3-4, P.L.1951, c.226,
3 R.S.23:3-25, P.L.1986, c.198, P.L.1959, c.37, P.L.1952, c.328,
4 P.L.1975, c.117, and P.L.1970, c.247.

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6 BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the*
7 *State of New Jersey:*

8 1. Section 12 of P.L.1982, c.180 (C.23:3-1a) is amended to
9 read as follows:

10 12. ³[For each calendar year from [1984 to 1986, inclusive]
11 ²[1991 to 1993] 1992 to 1994², the] The³ Fish and Game Council
12 may, ³on one occasion only at such time as may be deemed
13 appropriate by the Fish and Game Council,³ by regulation
14 adopted by [October] August 1 of the preceding year, determine
15 the fees for hunting, fishing and trapping licenses, permits, tags,
16 certificates and stamps under R.S.23:3-3, R.S.23:3-4, section 2 of
17 P.L.1951, c.226 (C.23:3-4.1), section 8 of P.L.1986, c.198
18 (C.23:3-4.11), R.S.23:3-25, section 7 of P.L.1986, c.198
19 (C.23:3-27.1), R.S.23:3-29, section 1 of P.L.1959, c.37
20 (C.23:3-56.1), section 3 of P.L.1952, c.328 [(C.23:3-89)]
21 (C.23:3-59), section 3 of P.L.1975, c.117 (C.23:3-61.3), section 2
22 of P.L.1970, c.247 (C.23:3-63), section 5 of P.L.1970, c.247
23 (C.23:3-66) and section 11 of [P.L.[1982], c.[180] (C.[23:3-1.1])
24 (now pending before the Legislature as Assembly Bill No. 1518 of
25 1982)] P.L.1982, c.180 (C.23:3-1.1), in the following manner:

26 a. The amount of the applicable fee [of September 30, 1983]
27 ³[on July 31 of each year] on the effective date of P.L. , c.
28 (C.) (now before the Legislature as this bill)³ shall be the base
29 fee.

30 b. The base fee may be adjusted ³on one occasion only at such
31 time as may be deemed appropriate by the Fish and Game
32 Council³ by adding to that base fee an amount equal to a
33 percentage of the base fee as determined by the Fish and Game
34 Council; provided, however, that the amount added ³[in any 1
35 year]³ shall not exceed an amount equal to 10% of the base fee.

36 c. Any adjustment in fees shall be rounded to the nearest \$0.25.
37 (cf: P.L.1982, c.180, s.12)

38 2. Section 11 of P.L.1982, c.180 (C.23:3-1.1) is amended to

EXPLANATION--Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the
above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹ Senate SNR committee amendments adopted January 25, 1990.

² Senate SRF committee amendments adopted September 24, 1990.

³ Senate floor amendments adopted December 13, 1990.

1 read as follows:

2 11. a. The Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife shall issue a
3 special license combining the resident's firearm hunting license,
4 the resident's bow and arrow license and the resident's fishing
5 license as provided under R.S.23:3-4 into one license to be
6 designated as the "All Around Sportsman License."

7 b. The "All Around Sportsman License" shall authorize its
8 holder to hunt with a shotgun or bow and arrow and to angle or
9 attempt to take fish in the fresh waters of this State at the time,
10 and in the manner, provided by law and the State Fish and Game
11 Code, except that this license shall not authorize its holder to
12 take trout from the fresh waters of the State.

13 c. A resident of this State above the age of 16 years may
14 procure the "All Around Sportsman License" from the Division of
15 Fish, Game and Wildlife at Trenton or from its agents as
16 designated by the division. It shall not be valid unless it contains
17 the signature of the owner written in ink. Each license issued
18 under this section shall expire on December 31 next following its
19 issuance.

20 d. The division shall determine the form of the "All Around
21 Sportsman License." The fee for this license shall be [\$42.75]
22 \$54.50 and an issuance fee of \$0.50, or as adjusted by the Fish
23 and Game Council pursuant to section 12 of [P.L.[1982], c.[180]
24 (C.[23:3-1a])] P.L.1982, c.180 (C.23:3-1a). The amounts remitted
25 to the State Treasury from the collection of this fee shall be
26 deposited to the credit of the "hunters' and anglers' license
27 fund."

28 (cf: P.L.1982, c.180, s.11)

29 3. R.S.23:3-3 is amended to read as follows:

30 23:3-3. The division may, in its discretion, issue a license to a
31 citizen of the United States above 10 years and below 14 years of
32 age, who has successfully completed a course in gun or bow and
33 arrow safety, as the case may be, as required in accordance with
34 this title, when applied for by his parent or legal guardian,
35 authorizing him to hunt only when accompanied by a holder,
36 above 21 years of age, of a regular resident's or nonresident's
37 firearm or bow and arrow license, as the case may be. This
38 license shall be void after December 31 next succeeding its
39 issuance. The fee for this license shall be [\$2.50] \$2.75, or as
40 adjusted by the Fish and Game Council pursuant to section 12 of
41 [P.L.[1982], c.[180] (C.[23:3-1a])] P.L.1982, c.180 (C.23:3-1a).
42 These fees shall be remitted to the State Treasurer, and placed to
43 the credit of the "hunters' and anglers' license fund," and be
44 disbursed by the State Treasurer on vouchers certified by the
45 division.

46 (cf: P.L.1982, c.180, s.1)

47 4. R.S.23:3-4 is amended to read as follows:

48 23:3-4. The licenses issued under this article shall be as

1 follows:

2 a. A license issued to a person above 14 years of age, who has
3 an actual and bona fide domicile in this State at the time of the
4 application for the license and who has had an actual and bona
5 fide domicile in this State for at least six months immediately
6 prior thereto, provided that for a resident's trapping license the
7 person shall be above 12 years of age. These licenses shall be of
8 five kinds and designated as the resident's firearm hunting
9 license, the resident's bow and arrow license, the resident's
10 trapping license, the resident's fishing license and the resident's
11 family fishing license. The Fish and Game Council in the Division
12 of Fish, Game and Wildlife of the Department of Environmental
13 Protection shall have the authority to adopt and promulgate
14 regulations for family fishing licenses.

15 The resident's firearm hunting license shall authorize its
16 holder to hunt with hounds and firearms only, and a fee of
17 [~~\$16.25~~] \$19.50 and an issuance fee of \$0.50 shall be charged
18 therefor, except that a person 14 or 15 years of age and a person
19 above the age of 65 shall be charged a fee of [~~\$8.50~~] \$9.25 and an
20 issuance fee of \$0.50. The resident's bow and arrow license shall
21 authorize its holder to hunt with bow and arrow only, and a fee of
22 [~~\$18.00~~] \$23.50 and an issuance fee of \$0.50 shall be charged
23 therefor, except that a person 14 or 15 years of age and a person
24 above the age of 65 shall be charged a fee of [~~\$9.50~~] \$10.50 and
25 an issuance fee of \$0.50. The resident's trapping license shall
26 authorize its holder to trap only, and a fee of [~~\$24.00~~] \$31.50 and
27 an issuance fee of \$0.50 shall be charged therefor, except that a
28 person 12, 13, 14 or 15 years of age shall be charged a fee of
29 [~~\$12.00~~] \$13.25 and an issuance fee of \$0.50. The resident's
30 fishing license shall authorize its holder to fish only, and a fee of
31 [~~\$10.75~~] \$14.50 and an issuance fee of \$0.50 shall be charged
32 therefor, except that in any case where the applicant is 70 or
33 more years of age and is otherwise qualified, no fee, except an
34 application fee pursuant to section 9 of P.L.1986, c.198
35 (C.23:3-1c), shall be charged, and a person 14 or 15 years of age
36 and a person above the age of 65 shall be charged a fee of [~~\$6.00~~]
37 \$6.50 and an issuance fee of \$0.50.

38 The resident's family fishing license shall authorize the
39 parents or guardians and their children, foster children or wards
40 between the ages of 14 and 18, named therein, to fish only. The
41 fee for the parent's license permitting fishing only by the father
42 or mother, or both, or the guardian shall be [~~\$14.50~~] \$24.50 and an
43 issuance fee of \$0.50; and each child, foster child or ward named
44 therein shall be required to have and shall be issued an individual
45 supplementary license as a member of such family, at a fee of
46 [~~\$1.25~~] \$1.50 and an issuance fee of \$0.50. The license shall be
47 invalid from the date of its issuance when issued to a person not
48 entitled thereto. Any person, a resident of this State, who is

1 afflicted with total blindness, upon application to the Division of
2 Fish, Game and Wildlife, shall be entitled to a resident's fishing
3 license without fee or charge.

4 b. A license issued to a person above 14 years of age not
5 entitled to a resident's license, authorizing him to trap or to
6 hunt. These licenses shall be designated as the nonresident's
7 firearm hunting license, the nonresident's bow and arrow license,
8 the nonresident's trapping license, and the nonresident's two-day
9 small game firearm hunting license, except that a nonresident's
10 two-day small game firearm hunting license shall not permit the
11 taking, hunting or killing of deer.

12 The fees for the nonresident's firearm hunting license and the
13 nonresident's bow and arrow license shall each be [~~\$86.00~~] \$99.50
14 and an issuance fee of \$0.50.

15 The fees for the nonresident's trapping license shall be
16 [~~\$120.00~~] \$149.50 and an issuance fee of \$0.50. The fee for a
17 nonresident's two-day small game firearm hunting license shall
18 be [~~\$18.00~~] \$24.50 and an issuance fee of \$0.50.

19 c. A license issued to a person above 14 years of age not
20 entitled to a resident's license, authorizing him to fish only.
21 These licenses shall be designated as the nonresident's fishing
22 license and the nonresident's seven-day vacation fishing license,
23 valid for a period of seven consecutive days. The fees for these
24 licenses shall be [~~\$16.75~~] \$22.50 for the annual fishing license,
25 together with an issuance fee of \$0.50, and [~~\$8.50~~] \$14.50 and an
26 issuance fee of \$0.50 for the seven-day vacation fishing license.

27 Every license issued hereunder shall be void after December 31
28 next succeeding its issuance, except the one-day hunting license,
29 which shall expire on the date of issuance; the nonresident's [and]
30 seven-day fishing license, which is valid only for seven
31 consecutive days after date of issuance; and the nonresident's
32 two-day small game firearm hunting license, which shall expire
33 on the day after the date of issuance.

34 The fees for licenses set forth in this section may be adjusted
35 by the Fish and Game Council pursuant to section 12 of P.L.1982,
36 c.180 (C.23:3-1a).

37 (cf: P.L.1986, c.198, s.1)

38 5. Section 2 of P.L.1951, c.226 (C.23:3-4.1) is amended to read
39 as follows:

40 2. The division may, in its discretion, issue a license to a
41 person above the age of 14 years authorizing him to hunt for 1
42 day only in areas licensed under [subdivisions B. and D.]
43 subsections b. and d. of R.S.23:3-29, or at a shoot to kill field
44 trial which is being held under a proper permit from the division.
45 The fee for this license shall be [~~\$4.75~~] \$6.50, or as adjusted by
46 the Fish and Game Council pursuant to section [[12] of P.L. [1982]
47 c. [180] (C. [23:3-1a]) (now pending before the Legislature as
48 Assembly Bill No. 1518 of 1982)] 12 of P.L.1982, c.180

1 (C.23:3-1a), and an issuance fee of \$0.50 shall be charged
2 therefor. The fees collected hereunder shall be remitted to the
3 State Treasurer, and placed to the credit of the "hunters' and
4 anglers' license fund," and be disbursed by the State Treasurer on
5 vouchers certified to by the division.

6 (cf: P.L.1982, c.180, s.3)

7 6. Section 8 of P.L.1986, c.198 (C.23:3-4.11) is amended to
8 read as follows:

9 8. All persons in possession of a muzzleloader rifle or other
10 rifle while hunting or trapping shall have in their possession, in
11 addition to the appropriate and valid firearm hunting license or
12 trapping license, an appropriate and valid rifle permit. The
13 Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife is authorized to charge a fee
14 of \$11.00 for each permit issued. A rifle permit issued hereunder
15 shall be valid for a period not to exceed two years. The amount
16 remitted to the State Treasury for rifle permits shall be
17 deposited to the credit of the "Hunters' and Anglers' License
18 Fund."

19 The fee for a permit issued pursuant to this section may be
20 adjusted by the Fish and Game Council pursuant to section 12 of
21 P.L.1982, c.180 (C.23:3-1a).

22 (cf: P.L.1986, c.198, s.8)

23 7. R.S.23:3-25 is amended to read as follows:

24 23:3-25. The fee for this stamp shall be [~~\$2.00~~] \$2.50, or as
25 adjusted by the Fish and Game Council pursuant to section 12 of
26 [P.L.[1982], c.[180], (C.[23:3-1a]) (now pending before the
27 Legislature as Assembly Bill No. 1518 of 1982)] P.L.1982, c.180
28 (C.23:3-1a). The amounts remitted to the State Treasury for
29 stamps issued under R.S.23:3-24 shall be placed to the credit of
30 the "hunters' and anglers' license fund," mentioned in
31 R.S.23:3-12.

32 (cf: P.L.1982, c.180, s.4)

33 8. Section 7 of P.L.1986, c.198 (C.23:3-27.1) is amended to
34 read as follows:

35 7. Whenever an open season is prescribed for wild turkey by
36 the State Fish and Game Code, the Division of Fish, Game and
37 Wildlife is authorized to charge a fee of [~~\$10.00~~] \$13.00, or as
38 adjusted by the Fish and Game Council pursuant to section 12 of
39 P.L.1982, c.180 (C.23:3-1a), for each permit issued. This permit
40 shall be void at the close of the prescribed open season. The
41 amounts remitted to the State Treasury for wild turkey permits
42 shall be deposited to the credit of the "Hunters' and Anglers'
43 License Fund."

44 (cf: P.L.1986, c.198, s.7)

45 9. Section 1 of P.L.1959, c.37 (C.23:3-56.1) is amended to read
46 as follows:

47 1. When the Fish and Game Council has established a season
48 for deer of either sex and has fixed a certain number of licenses

1 to be issued for such harvest, the division is authorized to charge
2 a fee of [~~\$15.00~~] \$18.00, or as adjusted by the Fish and Game
3 Council pursuant to section 12 of P.L.1982, c.180 (C.23:3-1a), for
4 each license so issued, which fee shall be in addition to any other
5 fees authorized by law. No such fee shall be required of the
6 occupant of a farm in this State, who actually resides thereon, or
7 the members of his immediate family who also reside thereon,
8 provided such person or persons are otherwise authorized to
9 participate in such limited harvest. The exemption of this
10 section shall not apply to a person residing on the farm or in a
11 tenant house thereon who is not a member of the occupant's
12 family, nor to a servant of the occupant.

13 (cf: P.L.1986, c.198, s.3)

14 10. Section 3 of P.L.1952, c.328 (C.23:3-59) is amended to
15 read as follows:

16 3. The fee for this stamp shall be [~~\$6.25~~] \$7.00 for residents
17 and [~~\$11.50~~] \$14.00 for nonresidents, or as adjusted by the Fish
18 and Game Council pursuant to section 12 of P.L.1982, c.180
19 (C.23:3-1a). The amounts remitted to the State Treasury for
20 stamps issued under this law shall be placed to the credit of the
21 "Hunters' and Anglers' License Fund" mentioned in R.S.23:3-12.

22 (cf: P.L.1986, c.198, s.4)

23 11. Section 3 of P.L.1975, c.117 (C.23:3-61.3) is amended to
24 read as follows:

25 3. The fee for this stamp shall be [~~\$20.00~~] ¹[~~\$25.00~~] \$20.00¹ ,
26 or as adjusted by the Fish and Game Council pursuant to section
27 12 of P.L.1982, c.180 (C.23:3-1a) ¹[, except that for a person 14
28 or 15 years of age or above the age of 65, the fee for this stamp
29 shall be \$20.00, or as adjusted by the Fish and Game Council
30 pursuant to section 12 of P.L.1982, c.180 (C.23:3-1a)]¹. The
31 amounts remitted to the State Treasury for special pheasant and
32 quail stamps shall be deposited to the credit of the "Hunters' and
33 Anglers' License Fund."

34 (cf: P.L.1986, c.198, s.5)

35 12. Section 5 of P.L.1970, c.247 (C.23:3-66) is amended to
36 read as follows:

37 5. (a) All fish stocked in the waters of the fishing preserve in
38 accordance with subsection (b) of section 2 of this act that are
39 taken from the licensed fishing preserve waters shall be
40 immediately tagged as prescribed in the license or by order of the
41 division. Such tags shall be furnished by the division and sold to
42 the licensee at the cost of \$0.15 per tag, or as adjusted by the
43 Fish and Game Council pursuant to section 12 of P.L.1982, c.180
44 (C.23:3-1a).

45 (b) The tag so affixed shall not be removed from the fish until
46 the same is finally prepared for consumption.

47 (c) No fish, required to be tagged as specified in subsection (a)
48 of this section, taken pursuant to this act, shall be possessed off

1 the premises of the fishing preserve without such tag, and no
2 person shall sell such fish without such tag attached, except for
3 scientific, exhibition or stocking purposes.

4 (d) Fish taken from such fishing preserves and tagged as
5 provided in this section may be possessed, bought, sold and
6 offered for sale, and transported without restriction. Fish raised
7 or possessed under licenses issued under this act may be sold at
8 any time for scientific, exhibition, propagation or stocking
9 purposes.

10 (cf: P.L.1986, c.198, s.6)

11 ³13. (New section) The Department of the Treasury shall,
12 within 180 days of the effective date of this act, conduct or
13 cause to be conducted a financial and performance audit of the
14 Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife in the Department of
15 Environmental Protection, and transmit a copy of that audit to
16 the Governor and to each member of the Legislature.³

17 ³[13.] 14.³ This act shall take effect immediately ¹[and shall
18 be applicable to the sale of licenses, permits, stamps, tags, and
19 certificates that are valid on or after January 1, 1990, except
20 section 9 shall remain inoperative until January 1, 1990]¹ ²and
21 shall apply to the sale of licenses, permits, stamps, tags and
22 certificates that are valid on or after January 1, 1991, except
23 that section 9 shall remain inoperative until January 1, 1991².

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28 Increases certain fish and game license fees.

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8 section 9 shall remain inoperative until January 1, 1990.

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STATEMENT

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13 This bill increases certain hunting, fishing, and trapping license
14 fees and, permit, stamp, tag, and certificate fees for 1990 and
15 authorizes the State Fish and Game Council to increase these and
16 certain other such fees by an amount up to 10% of the base fee in
17 each of the following years: 1991, 1992 and 1993.

18 Currently, approximately \$9,400,000 is received from all fees
19 collected by the State Fish and Game Council. The Department
20 of Environmental Protection estimates that from the fees
21 increased in this bill an additional \$1,287,000 will be generated.
22 The fees are dedicated for wildlife management purposes. The
23 department believes the increases will make the wildlife
24 management programs financially self-sufficient.

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NATURAL RESOURCES

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29 Increases certain fish and game license fees.

ASSEMBLY CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

[THIRD REPRINT]

SENATE, No. 2227

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 7, 1991

The Assembly Conservation and Natural Resources Committee favorably reports Senate Bill No. 2227 (3R).

This bill would statutorily increase certain hunting, fishing, and trapping license, permit, stamp, tag, and certificate fees, and authorize the State Fish and Game Council on one occasion only to increase these and certain other such fees by an amount up to 10% of the statutory base fee.

The bill would also require the Department of the Treasury to, within 180 days of the effective date of the act, conduct or cause to be conducted a financial and performance audit of the Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife in the Department of Environmental Protection, and to transmit a copy of that audit to the Governor and to each member of the Legislature.

The Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife and a representative from the New Jersey State Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs testified at the committee meeting in support of the bill.

ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

[THIRD REPRINT]

SENATE, No. 2227

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 10, 1991

The Assembly Appropriations Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 2227 [3R].

Senate Bill No. 2227 [3R] statutorily increases certain hunting, fishing, and trapping license, permit, stamp, tag, and certificate fees, and authorizes the State Fish and Game Council on one occasion only to increase these and certain other such fees by an amount up to 10% of the statutory base fee.

The bill also requires the Department of Treasury, within 180 days of the effective date of the act, to conduct or cause to be conducted a financial and performance audit of the Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife in the Department of Environmental Protection. Copies of the audit are to be transmitted to the Governor and each member of the Legislature.

The bill is identical to Assembly Bill No. 1419 [1R] as amended by this committee.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal note prepared on this bill. However, on a similar bill last session, the Department of Environmental Protection estimated the increased revenues from the fee increases to be approximately \$1.3 million.

SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES AND
AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 2227

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JANUARY 25, 1990

The Senate Natural Resources and Agriculture Committee favorably reports Senate Bill No. 2227 with Senate committee amendments.

This bill increases certain hunting, fishing, and trapping license fees and, permit, stamp, tag, and certificate fees for 1990 and authorizes the State Fish and Game Council to increase these and certain other such fees by an amount up to 10% of the base fee in each of the following years: 1991, 1992 and 1993.

The committee amended the bill to return the price of the pheasant and quail stamp to the current statutorily mandated amount of \$20, although the Fish and Game Council would retain the authority to increase the fee as described above. The committee also amended the bill to make it effective upon enactment.

This bill was prefiled for introduction in the 1990 session pending technical review. As reported the bill includes the changes required by technical review, which has been performed.

SENATE REVENUE, FINANCE AND
APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

[FIRST REPRINT]

SENATE, No. 2227

with Senate committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: SEPTEMBER 24, 1990

The Senate Revenue, Finance and Appropriations Committee favorably reports Senate Bill No. 2227 1R, with committee amendments.

Senate Bill No. 2227 1R, as amended, increases certain hunting, fishing, and trapping license fees and permit, stamp, tag, and certificate fees for calendar year 1991 and authorizes the State Fish and Game Council to increase these and certain other such fees by an amount up to 10% of the base fee in each of the following years: 1992, 1993 and 1994.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

The Committee amendments adjust the year in which increases may take place. The increases shall begin January 1, 1991 and then may be increased again by the council in 1992, 1993 and 1994.

FISCAL IMPACT

This bill contains no appropriation. Currently, approximately \$9,400,000 is received from all fees collected by the State Fish and Game Council. The Department of Environmental Protection estimates that from the fees increased in this bill an additional \$1,245,655 will be generated on a calendar year basis. The fees are dedicated for wildlife management purposes.