

Fiscal Note Request SB0126, As Amended in Senate Committee

(continued)

5. This bill requires validation of boat registrations at least once every 3 years in order to meet federal requirements of CFR 46 chapter 123 for Coast Guard dollars. To comply with the federal requirements, this bill requires the owner of a currently permanently registered Montana vessel to acquire and place a validation decal on the vessel. Validation decals are available at no cost to the registered owner from FWP and can be obtained at a FWP regional office or their website.
6. One third of the formula for federal Coast Guard allocation is dependent on boat registration numbers. This bill provides an acceptable method of counting registered boats in Montana. In FY 2003 this amounted to \$73,294 for Montana's program.
7. If this bill passes, FWP will need to purchase boat decals at the cost of approximately \$5,500 (\$0.10 decal cost x 55,000 boats). The bulk of the decal costs is anticipated to be in FY 2006 for approximately \$5,000 (\$0.10 x 50,000 boats) and \$500 in FY 2007 (\$0.10 x 5,000 boats). Additional administrative costs associated with distribution of the decals will be absorbed with existing resources.
8. FWP will reimburse DOJ for the FY 2005 computer programming change using FY 2005 or carry forward authority.

FISCAL IMPACT:

	<u>FY 2006 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2007 Difference</u>
Department of Fish, Wildlife And Parks (FWP)		
<u>Expenditures:</u>		
Operating Expenses	\$5,000	\$500
 <u>Funding of Expenditures:</u>		
State Special Revenue (02)	\$2,500	\$250
Federal Special Revenue (03)	<u>2,500</u>	<u>250</u>
TOTAL	\$5,000	\$500
 <u>Revenues:</u>		
Federal Special Revenue (03)	\$73,294	\$73,294
 <u>Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Funding of Expenditures):</u>		
State Special Revenue (02)	(\$2,500)	(\$250)
Federal Special Revenue (03)	\$70,794	\$73,044

TECHNICAL NOTES:

1. It should be noted that changes made to the mainframe legacy system as a result of legislative changes, might also need to be made to the (new) system that may result in additional costs.