



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF  
BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

## Fiscal Note 2023 Biennium

**Bill #** SB0111

**Title:** Revising laws re conditional hunting permits for disabled persons

**Primary Sponsor:** Molnar, Brad

**Status:** As Introduced

- Significant Local Gov Impact     
 Needs to be included in HB 2     
 Technical Concerns  
 Included in the Executive Budget     
 Significant Long-Term Impacts     
 Dedicated Revenue Form Attached

### FISCAL SUMMARY

	<u>FY 2022</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2023</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2024</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2025</u> <u>Difference</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
State Special Revenue	\$11,710	\$11,710	\$2,342	\$0
<b>Revenue:</b>				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
State Special Revenue	\$43,910	\$43,910	\$8,782	\$0
<b>Net Impact-General Fund Balance:</b>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

**Description of fiscal impact:** SB 111 allows disabled persons to purchase a permit to hunt with a crossbow during any season in which archery is allowed. This will increase costs associated with surveys and increase revenue due to permit purchases.

### FISCAL ANALYSIS

#### Assumptions:

#### **Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks**

1. SB 111 creates a new category of disabled hunters with separate qualifications from the permit to hunt from a vehicle (PTHV).
2. There are 4,800 hunters that are certified as PTHV. Though it has different requirements, the department assumes a similar number of hunters that qualify for PTHV will qualify for the new crossbow permit.
3. It is assumed that many hunters age 70 and older may also qualify for the new crossbow permit.
4. There are currently 13,694 hunters age 70 and older. It is estimated that 1/3, or 4,564 hunters age 70 and older, will qualify for the new crossbow permit.

5. The total number of hunters that would qualify for the new crossbow permit is 9,364 (4,800 + 4,564).
6. In 2020, 31.25% of hunters purchased a bow license. Applying this percentage to the anticipated number of hunters that will qualify for a permit to hunt with a crossbow, 2,927 hunters will purchase a new crossbow permit (9,364 hunters x 31.25%).
7. The license year runs from March 1 to February 28 annually, with a majority of licenses purchased in May and June.
8. The crossbow permit will cost \$10 for the hunting season. The estimated revenue from the crossbow permit is \$29,270.
9. The crossbow permit holder would also be required to purchase a bow license for \$10 if they hadn't done so previously.
10. It is estimated that half of the crossbow permit holders will not have previously purchased a bow license. This would generate revenue of \$14,640.
11. The total revenue generated from the crossbow permits would be \$43,910 per year.
12. SB 111 will require the department to conduct a survey and report the findings on the crossbow permits issued.
13. Based on other surveys the department conducts, 80% of hunters respond to the surveys. It is estimated 2,342 hunters will respond.
14. There is a cost of \$5 per survey response to the department. The cost associated with the survey and reporting requirement is \$11,710.
15. There are no costs in FY 2025 as this bill sunsets February 29, 2024. Also, reduced costs and revenues are shown in FY 2024 due to the bill sunset.

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<b><u>Fiscal Impact:</u></b>				
<b><u>Expenditures:</u></b>				
Operating Expenses	\$11,710	\$11,710	\$2,342	\$0
<b>TOTAL Expenditures</b>	<b><u>\$11,710</u></b>	<b><u>\$11,710</u></b>	<b><u>\$2,342</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>
<b><u>Funding of Expenditures:</u></b>				
General Fund (01)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
State Special Revenue (02)	\$11,710	\$11,710	\$2,342	\$0
<b>TOTAL Funding of Exp.</b>	<b><u>\$11,710</u></b>	<b><u>\$11,710</u></b>	<b><u>\$2,342</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>
<b><u>Revenues:</u></b>				
General Fund (01)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
State Special Revenue (02)	\$43,910	\$43,910	\$8,782	\$0
<b>TOTAL Revenues</b>	<b><u>\$43,910</u></b>	<b><u>\$43,910</u></b>	<b><u>\$8,782</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>
<b><u>Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Funding of Expenditures):</u></b>				
General Fund (01)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
State Special Revenue (02)	\$32,200	\$32,200	\$6,440	\$0

**Technical Notes:**

1. The requirement of having purchased a bow and arrow license in the past 3 years or completing a bowhunter education course at least one-year prior are completely new prerequisites and cannot be handled automatically with the department's current licensing system. The department will have to check manually when issuing the permit.

**NO SPONSOR SIGNATURE**

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