



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF  
BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

## Fiscal Note 2023 Biennium

**Bill #** SB0143

**Title:** Generally revise laws re Class B-10 and Class B-11 elk and deer licenses

**Primary Sponsor:** Ellsworth, Jason W

**Status:** As Amended in Senate Committee

- 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	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Revenue:</b>				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
State Special Revenue	\$1,559,200	\$1,559,200	\$1,559,200	\$1,559,200
<b>Net Impact-General Fund Balance:</b>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

**Description of fiscal impact:** SB 143 creates a limited outfitted application and reserves 39% of available B-10 and B-11 licenses for these applicants. The limited outfitted application has a fee of \$200. The application fee is to be deposited into the following accounts: a new limited outfitted Class B-10 and B-11 license account to be used for the Public Access Land Agreement program (PALA) (25%), the hunting access program (25%), the future fisheries program (25%), and for the purchase of permanent easements (25%). The time period in which persons applying for a Class B-10 or B-11 may purchase a preference point would be extended another three months.

### FISCAL ANALYSIS

#### Assumptions:

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

- All fiscal impact assumptions are based on a license year, starting March 1.
- The department assumes the quantity of licenses sold in subsequent years will be comparable to the actual quantity sold in 2020. The below table shows the number of licenses sold by license type in license year 2020.

License Type	Quantity (2020 Actuals)
B-10	11769
B-10 Elk	5016
B-11	12060
Half-Price B-10	1576
Half-Price B-10 Elk	175
Half-Price B-11	1402
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>31,998</b>

- While the bill does not prohibit persons applying for a limited outfitted Class B-10 or B-11 license from applying for preference points, it does make it unnecessary for a person to have preference points to be drawn for the reserved limited outfitted licenses.
- In 2020, 75% of total Class B-10 and B-11 applicants purchased a preference point. The department assumes the 75% of persons applying for a limited outfitted Class B-10 or B-11 license who did purchase preference points in the past would no longer purchase a preference point.
- The department assumes the number of applicants for limited outfitted licenses would be comparable to the distribution of sales for B-10 and B-11 licenses in 2020; in 2020, we sold 98.74% (16,785) of the available 17,000 B-10 licenses, and 100% (6,600) of the available 6,600 B-11 licenses.
- The department does not have any information regarding how many B-10 and B-11 license buyers currently hunt with an outfitter, so the department will assume that the number of outfitted license applicants will match that of the number of available limited outfitted licenses. Therefore, of those 16,785 B-10 license sales, 39% would apply for a limited outfitted license, or 6,546. Of those 6,600 B-11 license sales, 39% would apply for a limited outfitted license, or 2,574.
- The department would gain \$1,824,000 in limited outfitted license application fees (9,120 applicants \* \$200 application fee) in revenue and would lose \$264,800 in preference points these applicants would no longer purchase (75% \* 9,120 limited outfitted applicants \* \$50/preference point). The following tables show the changes to revenue for each fiscal year.

License Type	Outfitter Quantity	App Fee Revenue			
		2022	2023	2024	2025
B-10	6546	\$ 1,309,200	\$ 1,309,200	\$ 1,309,200	\$ 1,309,200
B-11	2574	\$ 514,800	\$ 514,800	\$ 514,800	\$ 514,800
<b>Total</b>	<b>9120</b>	<b>\$ 1,824,000</b>	<b>\$ 1,824,000</b>	<b>\$ 1,824,000</b>	<b>\$ 1,824,000</b>

License Type	Quantity	Lost Preference Points Revenue			
		2022	2023	2024	2025
B-10	4910	(\$245,500)	(\$245,500)	(\$245,500)	(\$245,500)
B-11	386	(\$19,300)	(\$19,300)	(\$19,300)	(\$19,300)
<b>Total</b>	<b>5296</b>	<b>(\$264,800)</b>	<b>(\$264,800)</b>	<b>(\$264,800)</b>	<b>(\$264,800)</b>

Net Revenue				
	2022	2023	2024	2025
Total Outfitter App Fee Revenue	\$ 1,824,000	\$ 1,824,000	\$ 1,824,000	\$ 1,824,000
Total Preference Point Revenue	\$ (264,800)	\$ (264,800)	\$ (264,800)	\$ (264,800)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,559,200</b>	<b>\$ 1,559,200</b>	<b>\$ 1,559,200</b>	<b>\$ 1,559,200</b>