

SF188 - 0 - Rough Fish Report

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State Fiscal Impact	Yes	No
Expenditures	X	
Fee/Departmental Earnings		X
Tax Revenue		X
Information Technology		X
Local Fiscal Impact		X

This table shows direct impact to state government only. Local government impact, if any, is discussed in the narrative. Reductions shown in the parentheses.

State Cost (Savings)	Biennium			Biennium		
	Dollars in Thousands	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
General Fund	-	82	-	-	-	-
Total	-	82	-	-	-	-
Biennial Total			82			-

Full Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)	Biennium			Biennium	
	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
General Fund	-	.23	-	-	-
Total	-	.23	-	-	-

LBO Analyst's Comment

I have reviewed this fiscal note for reasonableness of content and consistency with the LBO's Uniform Standards and Procedures.

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State Cost (Savings) Calculation Details

This table shows direct impact to state government only. Local government impact, if any, is discussed in the narrative. Reductions are shown in parentheses.

*Transfers In/Out and Absorbed Costs are only displayed when reported.

State Cost (Savings) = 1-2		Biennium			Biennium	
Dollars in Thousands		FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
General Fund	-	82	-	-	-	-
Total		-	82	-	-	-
Biennial Total		82			-	
1 - Expenditures, Absorbed Costs*, Transfers Out*						
General Fund	-	82	-	-	-	-
Total		-	82	-	-	-
Biennial Total		82			-	
2 - Revenues, Transfers In*						
General Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total		-	-	-	-	-
Biennial Total		-			-	

Bill Description

This bill creates a requirement for the Department of Natural Resources to complete a report that evaluates the regulatory protections provided to fish currently defined as rough fish, and any recommendations for additional protection. The report is due to the legislature by June 30, 2025.

Assumptions

Rough fish means 24 species including the following common names: carp, buffalo, sucker, sheepshead, bowfin, gar, goldeye, and bullhead, except for any fish species listed as endangered, threatened, or of special concern in Minnesota Rules, chapter 6134.

Costs associated with developing this report and associated recommendations will involve agency staff time, a contracted project coordinator/facilitator, and associated meeting costs.

The process to complete the report will include 1) internal staff meetings to define the scope and process, including review of existing data on species distribution and abundance; 2) four workshops/facilitated discussions with stakeholders, including commercial anglers, bow fishers, anglers, and native fish enthusiasts; and 3) report completion.

The report will use existing best available science and will not collect new data on species to specifically inform this report.

Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula

Contracted services for project design, stakeholder engagement, \$50,000.

9 employees x 16 hours (.07 FTE) x \$64 hourly rate to help scope and process the project, \$9,216

1 specialist employee x 20 hours (.01 FTE) x \$101 hourly rate to help scope and process the project, \$2,020

2 employees x 160 hours (.15 FTE) x \$64 hourly rate to work with the contracted services throughout the life of this project, \$20,480

TOTAL \$81,716

Long-Term Fiscal Considerations

Implementation of recommendations from the report may require ongoing fiscal resources.

Local Fiscal Impact

There are no anticipated local fiscal impacts.

References/Sources

Contractor proposal to provide project design, stakeholder engagement and final report products.

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