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Karner Blue Butterfly Habitat Modification (DNR -- Fish, Wildlife, and Recreation)

Bill Agency

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GOVERNOR

Create a continuing appropriation from the fish and wildlife account of the conservation fund into which all moneys received from gifts, grants, and bequests to, and fees paid by partners into, the Karner blue butterfly habitat conservation plan are deposited. Specify that those monies be used for the administration and implementation of the plan.

MODIFICATION

Create the Karner blue butterfly gifts, grants and fee appropriation under the forestry account of the conservation fund, rather than the fish and wildlife account and estimate revenues at \$10,000 annually.

Explanation: While budget appropriation documents identify the revenues as being deposited in the fish and wildlife account, DNR and administration officials have indicated that the forestry account would be more appropriate since most partners are forest managers. Additionally, forestry staff have taken the lead role in the implementation of the Karner blue butterfly habitat plan including much of the data entry, surveying, and habitat monitoring. Annual revenues are expected to be approximately \$10,000.

	Change to Bill		Change to Base	
	Revenue	Funding	Revenue	Funding
SEG	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000

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