

Fiscal Estimate — 2009 Session

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Bill Number	Administrative Rule Number WM-21-07

Subject

Listing feral or wild swine, mute swans, and wolf-dog hybrids as Harmful Wild Animals under Ch. NR 16 Wis. Adm. Code and requiring record keeping, reporting, and establishing regulations on the possession and transportation of those species.

Fiscal Effect

- State: No State Fiscal Effect
 Indeterminate

Check columns below only if bill makes a direct appropriation or affects a sum sufficient appropriation.

- Increase Existing Appropriation Increase Existing Revenues
 Decrease Existing Appropriation Decrease Existing Revenues
 Create New Appropriation

- Increase Costs — May be possible to absorb within agency's budget.
 Yes No
 Decrease Costs

- Local: No Local Government Costs
 Indeterminate

1. Increase Costs
 Permissive Mandatory
 2. Decrease Costs
 Permissive Mandatory

3. Increase Revenues
 Permissive Mandatory
 4. Decrease Revenues
 Permissive Mandatory

5. Types of Local Governmental Units Affected:
 Towns Villages Cities
 Counties Others
 School Districts WTCS Districts

Fund Sources Affected

- GPR FED PRO PRS SEG SEG-S

Affected Chapter 20 Appropriations
20.370 (mu)

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This proposed rule making will require a license issued under the authority of Ch. 169 Stats., Captive Wildlife, for the possession of mute swans, wolf-dog hybrids and feral or wild swine.

The process used by the department to collect fees, store licensing information, reports, and issue renewal notices is already established. The department anticipates that most individuals would apply for a Class B Captive Wild Animal Farm License (CWAFL). The fee for a CWAFL is \$50 the first year and \$25 for annual renewal. The higher cost during the first year is to compensate for site inspections that may be conducted by department staff during initial licensing.

Only people who possess feral or wild swine prior to the effective date of this rule and for the purpose of meat production may be licensed. It is anticipated that as few as two facilities may be eligible. Prior to January 1, 2003 the department had authority to require game farm or exhibiting licenses for people who possess mute swans. The maximum number of licensed facilities with mute swans was 8. Because of the limited number of these licenses to be issued and the department's ability to generate approximately \$500 to recover the cost of inspections, no fiscal impact is anticipated by requiring licenses for these species.

The number of people who currently possess wolf-dog hybrids and will require a license under this rulemaking is difficult to estimate; however, it is possible that Wisconsin's numbers may be comparable to Michigan, which already requires similar licensing under its Wolf-Dog Cross Act and licensed a total of 29 individuals in 2007 to possess wolf-dog hybrids.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate – Continued

One-Time Costs/Revenues

It will take a wildlife manager approximately 2 hours to inspect a facility multiplied by the average value of salary and fringe of \$32. Therefore, assuming that Wisconsin permitting activity will be comparable to Michigan, total one-time costs to permit new facilities will be \$1,856 (\$64 x 29 permittees) and total one-time revenues for new permittees will be \$1,450 (\$50 x 29 permittees). While department staff are learning how to permit these new facilities, it is possible that multiple site visits may be needed in an effort to work cooperatively with some permittees to ensure their facilities are compliant, which would result in higher costs. It is also possible that the number of permittees may be higher in Wisconsin than Michigan.

Ongoing Costs/Revenues

The effort required to license new facilities for these species will be greatest upon initial implementation. Therefore, in subsequent years, no significant costs are anticipated whereas ongoing revenues are estimated to be \$725 (\$25 annual renewal fee x 29 permittees).

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet — 2009 Session
 Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

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One-time Costs or Revenue Impacts for State and/or Local Government (do not include in annualized fiscal effect):

Annualized Costs:		Annualized Fiscal Impact on State Funds from:	
		Increased Costs	Decreased Costs
A. State Costs by Category			
State Operations — Salaries and Fringes		\$	\$ -
(FTE Position Changes)		(FTE)	(- FTE)
State Operations — Other Costs			-
Local Assistance			-
Aids to Individuals or Organizations			-
Total State Costs by Category		\$	\$ -
B. State Costs by Source of Funds		Increased Costs	Decreased Costs
GPR		\$	\$ -
FED			-
PRO/PRS			-
SEG/SEG-S			-
State Revenues	Complete this only when proposal will increase or decrease state revenues (e.g., tax increase, decrease in license fee, etc.)	Increased Revenue	Decreased Revenue
GPR Taxes		\$	\$ -
GPR Earned			-
FED			-
PRO/PRS			-
SEG/SEG-S		725	-
Total State Revenues		\$ 725	\$ -

Net Annualized Fiscal Impact

	<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>
Net Change in Costs	\$ _____	\$ _____
Net Change in Revenues	\$ 725	\$ _____

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