



BILL & AMENDMENT SUMMARY

Fishing on Private Ponds without a Permit HF 2262

Status of Bill: House Floor
 Committee: Natural Resources (12-8)
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Summary

HF 2262 allows both residents and non-residents to fish on certain private lakes and ponds without a fishing permit if they have the owner's permission to do so. The owners of the pond and children 16 years and younger can already do this. There are around 110,000 private lakes and ponds in Iowa, and this bill will negatively affect the Fish and Wildlife Trust Fund.

Financial Impact to the Fish and Wildlife Trust Fund

2015 Fishing License Sales

| License Description | # Sold | License Fee | Total Revenue | Estimated Reduction Percentage | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | | | | 3.0% | 5.0% | 10.0% |
| Resident Annual Fishing | 236,526 | \$ 19.00 | \$ 4,493,994 | \$ 134,820 | \$ 224,700 | \$ 449,399 |
| Resident 3-Year Fishing | 5,212 | 53.00 | 276,236 | 8,287 | 13,812 | 27,624 |
| Resident 1-Day Fishing | 2,874 | 9.50 | 27,303 | 819 | 1,365 | 2,730 |
| Resident 7-Day Fishing | 1,145 | 13.50 | 15,458 | 464 | 773 | 1,546 |
| Resident Fishing/Hunting Combination | 45,254 | 47.00 | 2,126,938 | 63,808 | 106,347 | 212,694 |
| Nonresident Annual Fishing | 17,855 | 41.00 | 732,055 | 21,962 | 36,603 | 73,206 |
| Nonresident 1-Day Fishing | 12,851 | 10.50 | 134,936 | 4,048 | 6,747 | 13,494 |
| Nonresident 3-Day Fishing | 11,750 | 17.50 | 205,625 | 6,169 | 10,281 | 20,563 |
| Nonresident 7-Day Fishing | 2,091 | 32.00 | 66,912 | 2,007 | 3,346 | 6,691 |
| Totals | 335,558 | | \$ 8,079,456 | \$ 242,384 | \$ 403,973 | \$ 807,946 |

Fiscal Impact

There is no impact to the State General Fund. The reduction in fishing license revenue to the Fish and Game Protection Fund is estimated as follows: \$243,000 if there is a 3.0% reduction; \$404,000 if there is a 5.0% reduction; and \$808,000 if there is a 10.0% reduction in fishing license sales for calendar year 2017.