

**FISCAL NOTE**  
**Requested by Legislative Council**  
**03/23/2017**

Amendment to: HB 1204

- 1 A. **State fiscal effect:** *Identify the state fiscal effect and the fiscal effect on agency appropriations compared to funding levels and appropriations anticipated under current law.*

	2015-2017 Biennium		2017-2019 Biennium		2019-2021 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
<b>Revenues</b>				\$14,000		\$14,000
<b>Expenditures</b>				\$10,000		
<b>Appropriations</b>				\$10,000		

- 1 B. **County, city, school district and township fiscal effect:** *Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.*

	2015-2017 Biennium	2017-2019 Biennium	2019-2021 Biennium
<b>Counties</b>			
<b>Cities</b>			
<b>School Districts</b>			
<b>Townships</b>			

- 2 A. **Bill and fiscal impact summary:** *Provide a brief summary of the measure, including description of the provisions having fiscal impact (limited to 300 characters).*

The bill amends 3 sections of the NDCC relating to: 1) Apprentice hunter age; 2) Youth deer hunting age; and 3) Repeals NDCC 20.1-04-05 relating to Gold eagle, bald eagle permits.

- B. **Fiscal impact sections:** *Identify and provide a brief description of the sections of the measure which have fiscal impact. Include any assumptions and comments relevant to the analysis.*

The only section above that has a fiscal impact is the amendment to youth deer hunting age. As amended, it has been changed to allow 11 year olds to hunt, along with 12&13 year olds. This would increase revenue.

3. **State fiscal effect detail:** *For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1A, please:*

- A. **Revenues:** *Explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.*

As amended, this bill would allow for 11 year olds to hunt. Since current law allows 11 year olds that are turning 12 within the year to hunt, the increase in revenue would come from the 10 year olds that are turning 11 within the year, and the 11 year olds that were not turning 12 by the end of the year. A youth license is \$10. In 2015-16, there were 2,593 12&13 year old youth licenses issued under the current law. Of those, 564 were 11 and turning 12 within the year. The number of 11 years that would take advantage of this proposed amendment is unknown. If we assume/estimate that there are approx. 400, 10 years olds that will turn 11 within the year and an additional 300 11 year olds that would now be eligible. That would give us a \$7,000 (700 x \$10) increase in revenue per year.

- B. **Expenditures:** *Explain the expenditure amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency, line item, and fund affected and the number of FTE positions affected.*

The proposed bill requires programming changes to the Game and Fish online licensing system. We would need to change programming logic regarding hunter safety and youth deer checks. Our best estimate for programming costs is approx. \$10,000.

- C. **Appropriations:** *Explain the appropriation amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency and fund affected. Explain the relationship between the amounts shown for expenditures and appropriations. Indicate whether the appropriation or a part of the appropriation is included in the executive budget or relates to a continuing appropriation.*

This bill creates a one-time cost for IT programming changes to the department's licensing system of approx. \$10,000 as an increase in expenditures to the Operating line.

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