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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE
 SPONSOR Baldonado LAST UPDATED 02/11/15 HB 202
 SHORT TITLE Hunting and Fishing Infraction Penalties SB _____
 ANALYST Sanogo

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY15	FY16	FY17	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Total	See Narrative	NFI	NFI	NFI		

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files
 Department of Game and Fish (DGF)

SUMMARY

HB 202 would categorize certain, minor game and fish violations as “penalty assessment” violations. The penalty assessment would allow violators the option of paying a penalty fee and avoid a court appearance.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

No expected fiscal impact.

The Department of Game and Fish (DGF) reports that current penalty assessments generate revenues that are “virtually equal” to the expenses associated with administering the program. DGF expects that the penalty assessment violations proposed by HB 202 will continue to generate revenue that is offset by costs of administration. The expenses are attributable to payment tracking, personnel time, postage and equipment.

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