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Bill Number: H. 4708 Introduced on January 24, 2018

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Subject: Hunting and Fishing

Requestor: House Agriculture, Natural Resources, and Environmental Affairs

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Impact Date: March 19, 2018 - Updated for Additional Agency Response

Estimate of Fiscal Impact

	FY 2018-19	FY 2019-20
State Expenditure		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Other and Federal	\$0	\$0
Full-Time Equivalent Position(s)	0.00	0.00
State Revenue		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Other and Federal	Undetermined	\$0
Local Expenditure	\$0	\$0
Local Revenue	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill is expected to decrease Other Funds revenue and Federal Funds revenue due to a decrease in licenses issued by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). This fiscal impact statement has been updated based on a response from DNR.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

Updated for Additional Agency Response Introduced on January 24, 2018 State Expenditure

This bill allows a person to hunt without obtaining a hunting license on property that contains his primary residence. This privilege is extended to immediate family members that also claim the property as their primary residence. This bill will have no expenditure impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds. This expenditure impact has been updated based on a response from DNR.

State Revenue

This bill allows a person to hunt on property that contains his primary residence without obtaining a hunting license. This privilege is extended to immediate family members that also claim the property as their primary residence. License revenue supports the Wildlife and Fisheries Division, Hunter Education, and agency administration. DNR is unable to determine the number of current license holders that would be affected by this bill. However, DNR expects that this bill would result in a smaller number of licenses issued, as it is very likely that a

potential beneficiary of this bill is already licensed. Therefore, this bill is expected to reduce Other Funds revenue from the issuance of licenses by an undetermined amount.

In addition, a reduction in paid license holders reduces DNR's proportion of federal funding. The Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration and Dingell-Johnson Sportfish Restoration funds support the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries division and Law Enforcement's Hunter Education programs. These federal funds are annually apportioned to states by the US Fish & Wildlife Service based on formulas that include the number of paid license holders in a state. Therefore, this bill is expected to reduce Federal Funds by an undetermined amount. This revenue impact has been updated based on a response from DNR.

Local Expenditure

N/A

Local Revenue

N/A

Introduced on January 24, 2018 State Expenditure

This bill allows a person to hunt without obtaining a hunting license on property that contains his primary residence. This privilege is extended to immediate family members that also claim the property as their primary residence. The expenditure impact of this bill is pending, contingent upon a response from DNR.

State Revenue

This bill allows a person to hunt without obtaining a hunting license on property that contains his primary residence. This privilege is extended to immediate family members that also claim the property as their primary residence. DNR has indicated that they expect an impact on Other Funds revenue. However, they are reviewing the bill for the purposes of quantifying this impact. The revenue impact of this bill is pending, contingent upon their response.

Local Expenditure

N/A

Local Revenue

N/A

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