

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE
Fiscal Note**



Fiscal Note On: **HB 631** HLS 26RS 1183
 Bill Text Version: **ORIGINAL**
 Opp. Chamb. Action:
 Proposed Amd.:
 Sub. Bill For.:

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Dept./Agy.: Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
Subject: Nonresident Landowner Bear Hunting License **Analyst:** Richie Anderson

HUNTING OR INCREASE SG RV See Note Page 1 of 1
 Establishes a nonresident landowner bear hunting license

Present law provides for recreational hunting licenses for both residents and nonresidents and provides for the fees. Proposed law adds a nonresident bear hunting license and establishes a fee of \$100.

EXPENDITURES	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
REVENUES	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total						

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental expenditures as a result of this measure.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

Proposed law will increase Self-Generated Revenues into the Conservation Fund by a nominal amount for the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries. Currently, nonresident bear hunters can only enter the landowner permit lottery. If they receive a permit to hunt, they must transfer the permit to a resident who can hunt with a resident bear license. Proposed law would allow nonresident landowners who are granted a permit to purchase a license and hunt on their own property. For informational purposes, only 17 landowner permits, for both residents and nonresidents, were awarded in 2025.

Senate Dual Referral Rules
 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}
 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

House
 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}
 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}


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