# **Multiple Agency Fiscal Note Summary**

Bill Number: 5939 SB Title: Livestock wolf predation

# **Estimated Cash Receipts**

NONE

Agency Name	2023-25		2025	-27	2027-29	
	GF- State	Total	GF- State	Total	GF- State	Total
Local Gov. Courts	Fiscal note not	available				
Loc School dist-SPI						
Local Gov. Other						
Local Gov. Total						

# **Estimated Operating Expenditures**

Agency Name		20	023-25			2	025-27				2027-29	
	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total
Administrative Office of the Courts	Fiscal n	ote not availab	le									
Caseload Forecast Council	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0
Department of Children, Youth, and Families	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0
Department of Corrections	Fiscal n	ote not availab	le									
Department of Fish and Wildlife	.1	54,000	54,000	54,000	.1	38,000	38,000	38,000	.1	41,000	41,000	41,000
Department of Fish and Wildlife	In addit	ion to the estin	nate above,there	are additiona	al indeter	minate costs	and/or savings.	. Please see in	dividual fi	scal note.		
Total \$	0.1	54,000	54,000	54,000	0.1	38,000	38,000	38,000	0.1	41,000	41,000	41,000

Agency Name	2023-25				2025-27			2027-29		
	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total	
Local Gov. Courts	Fiscal	note not availab	le							
Loc School dist-SPI										
Local Gov. Other										
Local Gov. Total										

# **Estimated Capital Budget Expenditures**

Agency Name		2023-25			2025-27			2027-29		
	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total	
Administrative Office of the Courts	Fiscal r	note not availabl	le							
Caseload Forecast Council	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	
Department of Children, Youth, and Families	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	
Department of Corrections	Fiscal r	note not availabl	le							
Department of Fish and Wildlife	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	
Total \$	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	

Agency Name	2023-25				2025-27			2027-29		
	FTEs	<b>GF-State</b>	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total	
Local Gov. Courts	Fiscal	note not availab	le		-			-		
Loc School dist-SPI										
Local Gov. Other										
Local Gov. Total										

# **Estimated Capital Budget Breakout**

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# **Individual State Agency Fiscal Note**

Bill Number: 5939 SB	Title: Livesto	ock wolf predation	Agenc	y: 101-Caseload Forecast Council
Part I: Estimates			•	
X No Fiscal Impact				
Estimated Cash Receipts to:				
NONE				
<b>Estimated Operating Expen</b> NONE	ditures from:			
Estimated Capital Budget In	npact:			
NONE				
The cash receipts and expend and alternate ranges (if appro			ıl impact. Factors impactin	g the precision of these estimates,
Check applicable boxes and				
	er than \$50,000 per fiscal	I year in the current bienniu	ım or in subsequent bieni	nia, complete entire fiscal note
form Parts I-V.  If fiscal impact is less t	han \$50.000 per fiscal ve	ear in the current biennium	or in subsequent biennia	, complete this page only (Part I
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Requires new rule mak	ing, complete Part V.			
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# **Part II: Narrative Explanation**

### II. A - Brief Description Of What The Measure Does That Has Fiscal Impact

Significant provisions of the bill and any related workload or policy assumptions that have revenue or expenditure impact on the responding agency by section number.

See attached.

#### II. B - Cash receipts Impact

Cash receipts impact of the legislation on the responding agency with the cash receipts provisions identified by section number and when appropriate, the detail of the revenue sources. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the cash receipts impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.

None.

# II. C - Expenditures

Agency expenditures necessary to implement this legislation (or savings resulting from this legislation), with the provisions of the legislation that result in the expenditures (or savings) identified by section number. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the expenditure impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into cost estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.

See attached.

# Part III: Expenditure Detail

III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

NONE

#### III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

III. C - Operating FTE Detail: FTEs listed by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals agree with total FTEs in Part I and Part IIIA.

**NONE** 

# III. D - Expenditures By Program (optional)

NONE

# Part IV: Capital Budget Impact

# IV. A - Capital Budget Expenditures

**NONE** 

# IV. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

# IV. C - Capital Budget Breakout

Acquisition and construction costs not reflected elsewhere on the fiscal note and description of potential financing methods.

NONE

IV. D - Capital FTE Detail: FTEs listed by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals agree with total FTEs in Part IVB.

**NONE** 

# Part V: New Rule Making Required Provisions of the bill that require the agency to adopt new administrative rules or repeal/revise existing rules.

# **SB 5939**

# PROTECTING LIVESTOCK FROM WOLF PREDATION

# 101 – Caseload Forecast Council January 13, 2024

#### **SUMMARY**

# A brief description of what the measure does that has fiscal impact.

- Section 1 Adds a new section requiring Department of Fish and Wildlife to establish a threeyear pilot program to evaluate the effectiveness of authorizing the taking of the first wolf that returns to a livestock predation site.
- Section 2 Amends RCW 77.15.120 by amending the crimes of Unlawful Taking of Endangered Fish or Wildlife in the First or Second Degree to exclude the taking of a wolf as authorized in Section 1.

Section 3 States the act expires July 1, 2028.

# **EXPENDITURES**

# Assumptions.

None.

# Impact on the Caseload Forecast Council.

None.

# **Impact Summary**

This bill has no impact on jail or prison beds.

# Impact on prison and jail beds

None.

# **Juvenile Rehabilitation Bed Impacts**

None.

# **Individual State Agency Fiscal Note**

<b>Bill Number:</b> 5939 SB	Title: Livestock wolf pre	edation		307-Department of Children, Youth, and Families
Part I: Estimates				
X No Fiscal Impact				
<b>Estimated Cash Receipts to:</b>				
NONE				
<b>Estimated Operating Expend</b> NONE	ditures from:			
Estimated Capital Budget Im	pact:			
NONE				
	iture estimates on this page represent th priate), are explained in Part II.	e most likely fiscal impact. Factors i	mpacting th	he precision of these estimates,
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If fiscal impact is greater form Parts I-V.	er than \$50,000 per fiscal year in the	current biennium or in subseque	nt biennia	, complete entire fiscal note
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# **Part II: Narrative Explanation**

# II. A - Brief Description Of What The Measure Does That Has Fiscal Impact

Significant provisions of the bill and any related workload or policy assumptions that have revenue or expenditure impact on the responding agency by section number.

Section 1 establishes a three-year pilot program to evaluate the effectiveness of authorizing the taking of the first world that returns to a livestock predation site.

#### II. B - Cash receipts Impact

Cash receipts impact of the legislation on the responding agency with the cash receipts provisions identified by section number and when appropriate, the detail of the revenue sources. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the cash receipts impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.

None.

# II. C - Expenditures

Agency expenditures necessary to implement this legislation (or savings resulting from this legislation), with the provisions of the legislation that result in the expenditures (or savings) identified by section number. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the expenditure impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into cost estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.

The Department of Children, Youth, and Families will not experience a fiscal impact from implementation of this bill.

# Part III: Expenditure Detail

III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

NONE

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

**NONE** 

III. C - Operating FTE Detail: FTEs listed by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals agree with total FTEs in Part I and Part IIIA.

**NONE** 

III. D - Expenditures By Program (optional)

**NONE** 

# Part IV: Capital Budget Impact

IV. A - Capital Budget Expenditures

NONE

IV. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

### IV. C - Capital Budget Breakout

Acquisition and construction costs not reflected elsewhere on the fiscal note and description of potential financing methods.

**NONE** 

IV. D - Capital FTE Detail: FTEs listed by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals agree with total FTEs in Part IVB.

**NONE** 

# Part V: New Rule Making Required Provisions of the bill that require the agency to adopt new administrative rules or repeal/revise existing rules.

# **Individual State Agency Fiscal Note**

<b>Bill Number:</b> 5939 SB	Title: Livestock wol	f predation	Ag	ency: 477-Departm Wildlife	nent of Fish and			
Part I: Estimates	•		•					
No Fiscal Impact								
Estimated Cash Receipts to:								
NONE								
<b>Estimated Operating Expenditu</b>	res from:							
	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29			
FTE Staff Years	0.	.0 0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1			
Account								
General Fund-State 001-1		0 54,000	54,000	38,000	41,000			
	Total \$	0 54,000	54,000	38,000	41,000			
In addition to the estima	tes above, there are addition	nal indeterminate costs	s and/or savings. P	lease see discussion	ı.			
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Capital budget impact, com	plete Part IV.							
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Agency Preparation: Katie G	uthrie	I	Phone: 360480087	6 Date: 01	/17/2024			
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OFM Review: Matthew	v Hunter	I	Phone: (360) 529-7	7078 Date: 01	/18/2024			

# Part II: Narrative Explanation

# II. A - Brief Description Of What The Measure Does That Has Fiscal Impact

Significant provisions of the bill and any related workload or policy assumptions that have revenue or expenditure impact on the responding agency by section number.

#### Section 1:

- Directs the Department to create a three-year pilot program to allow producers to lethally remove one wolf returning to a livestock depredation carcass and report to legislature on the program by December 1, 2027.
- Requires producers to surrender the carcass of the wolf to the Department.

# II. B - Cash receipts Impact

Cash receipts impact of the legislation on the responding agency with the cash receipts provisions identified by section number and when appropriate, the detail of the revenue sources. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the cash receipts impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.

### II. C - Expenditures

Agency expenditures necessary to implement this legislation (or savings resulting from this legislation), with the provisions of the legislation that result in the expenditures (or savings) identified by section number. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the expenditure impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into cost estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.

WDFW assumes this act is only applicable on private lands in accordance with the WDFW Wolf Conservation and Management Plan.

WDFW assumes this act is only valid on the Eastern one-third of the state where wolves are delisted from the Federal Endangered Species Act.

WDFW assumes authorization to lethally remove a wolf is necessary. Authorization would be issued when WDFW staff determines the depredation was probable or confirmed by wolves. WDFW already performs depredation investigations, this would not result in additional costs.

WDFW assumes the carcass would be collected by a WDFW Enforcement Officer.

WDFW assumes fiscal year 2025 costs are related to program planning and rulemaking.

WDFW assumes three-year pilot program begins July 1, 2025, and ends June 30, 2028.

#### **SECTION 1 COSTS**

# Fiscal year 2025

\$32,000 for 0.2 FTE Washington Management Service 3 position to participate in rulemaking meetings and for development of program guidelines to include procedures specific to authorization for lethal removal, carcass donation to an educational facility, and data recording requirements. Wolf rulemaking and new program development requires significant time and will take more time in comparison to other species as the agency will need to engage across a broad section of constituents, Objects A and B.

\$5,500 for Attorney General Office fees and \$1,500 for rule adoption. Costs include higher than usual Attorney General Office fees due to the current political climate surrounding wolf issues in Washington state, Object E. Total \$54,000

# Fiscal year 2026 and 2027

\$12,000 per fiscal year for 0.1 FTE Biologist 4 position to implement the program, including coordination, information sharing, data recording, and storing and transporting carcasses for donation, Objects A and B.

\$1,000 per fiscal year for travel costs associated with increased carcass donation to an educational facility. Carcass donation transportation will be combined with normal operations as often as possible; two additional trips are anticipated. Total per fiscal year \$19,000.

# Fiscal year 2028

\$16,000 for 0.1 FTE Washington Management Service 3 position to analyze data, prepare recommendations, and report to legislature on the program, Objects A and B.

\$12,000 per fiscal year for .1 Biologist 4 position to implement the program, including coordination, information sharing, data recording, and storing and transporting carcasses for donation, Objects A and B.

\$1,000 per fiscal year for travel costs associated with increased carcass donation to an educational facility. Carcass donation transportation will be combined with normal operations as often as possible; two additional trips are anticipated. Total \$41,000.

Goods and services, Object E, includes \$7,000 per FTE, per year, for WDFW standard costs, which cover and average employee's supplies, communications, training, and subscription costs per year.

An infrastructure and program support rate of 36.03% is included in Object T and is calculated based on WDFW's federally approved indirect rate.

The Department anticipates an increase in carcass collection requiring additional efforts for WDFW Enforcement Officers. This cost is indeterminate.

# Part III: Expenditure Detail

# III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

Account	Account Title	Type	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
001-1	General Fund	State	0	54,000	54,000	38,000	41,000
		Total \$	0	54,000	54,000	38,000	41,000

In addition to the estimates above, there are additional indeterminate costs and/or savings. Please see discussion.

#### III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
FTE Staff Years		0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1
A-Salaries and Wages		25,000	25,000	18,000	21,000
B-Employee Benefits		7,000	7,000	6,000	7,000
C-Professional Service Contracts					
E-Goods and Other Services		8,000	8,000	2,000	1,000
G-Travel				2,000	1,000
J-Capital Outlays					
M-Inter Agency/Fund Transfers					
N-Grants, Benefits & Client Services					
P-Debt Service					
S-Interagency Reimbursements					
T-Intra-Agency Reimbursements		14,000	14,000	10,000	11,000
9-					
Total \$	0	54,000	54,000	38,000	41,000

In addition to the estimates above, there are additional indeterminate costs and/or savings. Please see discussion.

III. C - Operating FTE Detail: List FTEs by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals need to agree with total FTEs in Part I and Part IIIIA

Job Classification	Salary	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
Fish & Wildlife Biologist 4	84,192				0.1	0.1
Washington Management Service	120,000		0.2	0.1		0.1
Band 3						
Total FTEs			0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1

# III. D - Expenditures By Program (optional)

**NONE** 

# Part IV: Capital Budget Impact

IV. A - Capital Budget Expenditures

NONE

IV. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

**NONE** 

# IV. C - Capital Budget Breakout

Acquisition and construction costs not reflected elsewhere on the fiscal note and description of potential financing methods.

**NONE** 

IV. D - Capital FTE Detail: FTEs listed by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals agree with total FTEs in Part IVB.

NONE

# Part V: New Rule Making Required

Provisions of the bill that require the agency to adopt new administrative rules or repeal/revise existing rules.

WAC 220-440-080 will require a new section to include livestock depredation.