

Fiscal Note

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Identifier: HB64-DFG-DCF-3-27-21
Title: FISHERY DEVELOPMENT ASSOC.;
ASSESSMENTS
Sponsor: STUTES
Requester: (H)FISHERIES

Department: Department of Fish and Game
Appropriation: Commercial Fisheries
Allocation: Commercial Fisheries
OMB Component Number: 2965

Expenditures/Revenues

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

(Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2022 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2022 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2022	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027
Personal Services							
Travel							
Services							
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits							
Miscellaneous							
Total Operating	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Fund Source (Operating Only)

None							
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Positions

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

Change in Revenues

None			***	***	***	***	***
Total	0.0	0.0	***	***	***	***	***

Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2021) cost: 0.0 (separate supplemental appropriation required)

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2022) cost: 0.0 (separate capital appropriation required)

Does the bill create or modify a new fund or account? No
(Supplemental/Capital/New Fund - discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS

Does the bill direct, or will the bill result in, regulation changes adopted by your agency? No
If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version/comments:

Not applicable, initial version.

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FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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HB64 would allow for the creation of regional fishery development associations. The purpose of these associations would be to find and promote new fisheries that could potentially be harvested commercially. This legislation also creates a mechanism for the fishermen to elect by vote to pay an assessment tax, of which a portion may be transferred to the Department of Fish and Game for management of the fisheries being assessed and administration of the associations.

The department's overall role in the creation and management of these associations would be minimal. As written, the commissioner would be required to certify the associations and Division of Commercial Fisheries staff would support the association in drafting an annual operating plan, essentially a cooperative agreement, which describes how assessment tax revenue appropriated to the department would be used for management activities.

Certification of these associations and the creation of annual operating plans is not expected to generate a cost to the department. It is unknown how many associations will form and if their members will elect to pay the assessment tax for management of the fisheries. Therefore, the fiscal note is zero and the revenue is indeterminate.