

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS  
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING THE CREATION OF THE PARKS AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION TO REPLACE THE PARKS AND WILDLIFE BOARD IN THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, DESCRIBING THE COMPOSITION AND TERMS OF THE COMMISSION, AND REDUCING APPROPRIATIONS.

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Senator Schwartz

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**Summary of Amendments Made to the Bill After the 4/25/12 Legislative Council Staff Revised Fiscal Note Was Prepared (Amended by the Agriculture, Natural Resources, and Energy Committee 4/26/12)**

The Agriculture, Natural Resources, and Energy Committee Report inserted a requirement that the three members of the Commission who are actively involved in production agriculture also be able to demonstrate a reasonable knowledge of wildlife issues; deleted language requiring that at least one of the three members who can demonstrate that they regularly engage in outdoor recreation must have a background in diversified trails interests and activities, including motorized and nonmotorized trails-related pursuits; inserted language to clarify that in making appointments to the Commission, the Governor shall ensure that the board members have knowledge in land conservation and conservation easements, and diversified trails interests and activities; inserted language to clarify that each member of the Commission is committed to the long-term financial stability and sustainability of the Department of Natural Resources; and reduced the number of voting members that need to be appointed from west of the continental divide from five to four.

The above amendments did not change the fiscal impact of the bill.

**JBC Staff Concurrence with Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note**

**Concurs**       **Does Not Concur**       **Updated Analysis**

**Reason for the Non-Concurrence / Update**

*Delete this section if you are concurring. If you retain the section, delete either "Non-Concurrence" or "Update".*

**Amendments/Appropriation Status**

The bill includes an appropriation clause that reduces the appropriation to the Department of Natural Resources for FY 2012-13 by \$18,055 cash funds (\$11,607 Wildlife Cash Fund and \$6,448 Parks and Outdoor Recreation Cash Fund).

**Bill Sponsor Amendments**

Staff is not aware of any sponsor amendments to be offered.

*OR:* Sponsor amendment **L.XXX** (attached) ...

**Points to Consider**

1. *List the points to consider.*

*OR:* None.