



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF
BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

Fiscal Note 2027 Biennium

Bill#/Title: **SB0270.03: Revise laws related to antlerless elk licenses**

Primary Sponsor: **Denley Loge** Status: **As Amended in Senate Committee**

☐ Included in the Executive Budget ☐ Needs to be included in HB 2 ☐ Significant Local Gov Impact
☐ Significant Long-Term Impacts ☐ Technical Concerns ☐ Dedicated Revenue Form Attached

FISCAL SUMMARY

	<u>FY 2026</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2027</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2028</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2029</u> <u>Difference</u>
Expenditures				
State Special Revenue (02)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Revenues				
State Special Revenue (02)	(\$193,270)	(\$193,270)	(\$193,270)	(\$193,270)
Net Impact	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
General Fund Balance				

Description of fiscal impact

SB 270 limits the number of Elk B licenses a nonresident may purchase and removes the limit for the number of Elk B licenses a resident may purchase. SB 270 would also establish that "the department may develop a rule that describes variable license structures for antlerless elk based on management goals" regarding resident elk license.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

Assumptions

Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks (FWP)

1. Currently both residents and nonresidents are eligible to purchase a maximum of three elk licenses per year (Either on general elk and two elk B tags or three elk B tags).
2. SB 270 allows the department to create variable license structures regarding nonresident elk licenses of Big Game Combination or Elk Combination Licenses.
3. The number of elk B Licenses sold in License Year (LY) 2024 as of 2/14/2025 is 3,937.
4. Of the nonresidents who did not have a B 10 combination license, there were 563 elk B license sold that were a second or third Elk B license purchase.
5. Nonresidents with a B 10 combination license, there were 6 elk B licenses sold that were a 3rd elk B license purchase.
6. The department does not know how many of these would qualify for discounted license price such as college, youth, or nonresident relative of a resident.
7. The FWP assumes, at the most, these would all be sold at full price, or \$270.
8. This would result in a reduction of revenue of \$153,630.00 (or 569 Elk B Licenses X \$270).
9. SB 270, as amended, changes the limit of the number of elk B licenses a resident may purchase from 3 to 2. Based on LY 2024 sales, this would result in a reduction of 1,982 elk B licenses sold, and a total revenue reduction of \$39,640/year.

10. The total reduction in revenue from both resident and nonresident Elk B licenses would be \$193,270 per year.

Fiscal Analysis Table

	<u>FY 2026</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2027</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2028</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2029</u> <u>Difference</u>
<u>Fiscal Impact</u>				
<u>Expenditures</u>				
<u>Funding of Expenditures</u>				
<u>Revenues</u>				
State Special Revenue (02)	<u>(\$193,270)</u>	<u>(\$193,270)</u>	<u>(\$193,270)</u>	<u>(\$193,270)</u>
TOTAL Revenues	<u>(\$193,270)</u>	<u>(\$193,270)</u>	<u>(\$193,270)</u>	<u>(\$193,270)</u>
<u>Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Funding of Expenditures)</u>				
State Special Revenue (02)	<u>(\$193,270)</u>	<u>(\$193,270)</u>	<u>(\$193,270)</u>	<u>(\$193,270)</u>

Sponsor's Initials

Date



Budget Director's Initials

2/21/2025

Date