

Department of Planning and Budget
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State Fiscal Impact Statement

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Bill Number: SB1125H1 **Patron:** Boysko
Bill Title: Department of Wildlife Resources; propagation of wildlife without a permit unlawful; premature separation; hybridization.

Bill Summary: The bill prohibits prematurely separating mammalian wildlife offspring from their mothers, except for medical necessity with a veterinarian's approval or certain activities. It exempts accredited zoological facilities and wildlife rehabilitators. The bill also bans the intentional hybridization of mammalian wildlife for commercial purposes.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No. **Items Impacted:** N/A

Explanation: This bill involves the Department of Wildlife Resources (DWR), as well as local and regional jails, courts, and localities. However, no budget action is required. See Fiscal Analysis section, below.

Fiscal Summary: It is anticipated that any costs DWR may incur can be absorbed within existing resources.

Fiscal Analysis: This impact statement is preliminary. It is anticipated that DWR can absorb any costs associated with the implementation of this bill.

A Class 4 misdemeanor is punishable by a fine of up to \$250. These offenses do not carry jail time. All revenue collected from such fines is deposited into the Literary Fund. However, it is not possible to estimate either the number of convictions that may result or the amount of each fine that may be assessed under this legislation. Therefore, the impact of this bill cannot be determined.

Other: None.