



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF  
BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

## Fiscal Note 2027 Biennium

Bill#/Title: HB0084.02 (001): Revise liability, training for prescribed fires

Primary Sponsor: Steve Gist Status: As Amended in House 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 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2027 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2028 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2029 Difference</u>
<b>Expenditures</b>				
General Fund (01)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Revenues</b>				
General Fund (01)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Net Impact</b>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>General Fund Balance</b>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

### Description of fiscal impact

HB 84, as amended, allows the Department of Natural Resources & Conservation (DNRC) to implement a prescribed fire management certification program, establishes a new special revenue account (fund) for the development of the program, and requires the DNRC to conduct a study of prescribed fire liability. HB 84 also contains a contingency provision, stating the Liability provision in section 5 has an effective date of either January 1, 2026, or when a legislative appropriation is made in the new fund, whichever date is later. The DNRC would not implement the prescribed fire management certification program until section 5 takes effect.

### FISCAL ANALYSIS

#### Assumptions

#### Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC)

1. The DNRC assumes any legislative appropriation in the new fund described in section 7, for the purpose of developing and administering a prescribed fire manager certification program, would only be made available after the DNRC successfully completes the study described in section 8, and after money is deposited in the fund sufficient to support the appropriation.
2. The DNRC has existing staff who would conduct the study and rulemaking within existing budgetary appropriations; therefore, there is no new fiscal impact expected from HB 84.

 _____ Sponsor's Initials	<u>2-17-25</u> Date	 _____ Budget Director's Initials	<u>2/17/2025</u> Date
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