

SF4374 - 0 - State Park License Plate Design Contest Req. Mod.

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 Other Agencies:  
     Public Safety Dept

State Fiscal Impact	Yes	No
Expenditures	X	
Fee/Departmental Earnings		X
Tax Revenue		X
Information Technology		X
Local Fiscal Impact		X

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State Cost (Savings)	Biennium			Biennium		
	Dollars in Thousands	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029
<b>Natural Resources Dept</b>						
General Fund	-	-	43	-	-	-
State Total						
General Fund	-	-	43	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	-	-	<b>43</b>	-	-	-
<b>Biennial Total</b>			<b>43</b>			

Full Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)	Biennium			Biennium	
	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029
<b>Natural Resources Dept</b>					
General Fund	-	-	.26	-	-
<b>Total</b>	-	-	<b>.26</b>	-	-

**Lead LBO Analyst's Comment**

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General Fund		-	-	43	-	-
<b>Total</b>		-	-	<b>43</b>	-	-
<b>Biennial Total</b>				<b>43</b>		-
<b>1 - Expenditures, Absorbed Costs*, Transfers Out*</b>						
Natural Resources Dept						
General Fund		-	-	43	-	-
<b>Total</b>		-	-	<b>43</b>	-	-
<b>Biennial Total</b>				<b>43</b>		-
<b>2 - Revenues, Transfers In*</b>						
Natural Resources Dept						
General Fund		-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>		-	-	-	-	-
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<b>Biennial Total</b>				<b>43</b>		
<b>2 - Revenues, Transfers In*</b>						
General Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>		-	-	-	-	-
<b>Biennial Total</b>				-		

**Bill Description**

This bill directs the Department of Natural Resources to alter the existing license plate design contest to focus on the North Shore and Lake Superior Agate.

**Assumptions**

DNR has started work on a license plate contest that would accept designs of all types, and has completed various work products including advertising, outreach, and media relations materials. Under this bill, only north shore and agate related designs would be considered. DNR would have to reproduce existing work products to reflect a new limited scope of design entries. New rules, contracts, and submission forms would also be drafted. Current contest rules and procedures would be followed, including a deadline of December 18, 2026 for selection.

Production, distribution, and marketing of the license plate is not part of this bill.

**Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula**

Updating websites and other publications including social media outreach for the contest: 0.25 FTE (0.25 X \$165,000 = \$41,250)

Legal review of contest rules and forms: 20 hours or 0.01 FTE (.01 X \$165,000 = \$1,650)

Total cost is estimated to be \$42,900 with approximately 0.26 FTE.

**Long-Term Fiscal Considerations**

None.

**Local Fiscal Impact**

None.

**References/Sources**

None.

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	<b>Biennial Total</b>			-		-
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	<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
	<b>Biennial Total</b>			-		-
<b>2 - Revenues, Transfers In*</b>						
	<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
	<b>Biennial Total</b>			-		-

**Bill Description**

This bill adds language to Laws 2024, chapter 116, article 3, section 53 specifying the design selected as part of the plate design contest must celebrate the North Shore and the Lake Superior agate.

**Assumptions**

The Dept. of Natural Resources (DNR) will coordinate the license plate design contest and select the winning design.

Implementation of new plate design and when it will become available is dependent on when DNR ends contest, selects a winning design, and provides design to DVS to begin system and plate development.

**Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula**

**Long-Term Fiscal Considerations**

**Local Fiscal Impact**

**References/Sources**

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