

HOUSE BILL 173

IN THE HOUSE

January 15, 1979	Introduced and referred to Committee on Fish and Game.
February 1, 1979	Committee recommend bill, do pass.
February 2, 1979	Printed and placed on members' desks.
February 5, 1979	Second reading, do pass.  Second reading, segregated.  On motion, taken from second reading and referred to Committee on Fish and Game.

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 2        INTRODUCED BY Lein  
 3                                    BY REQUEST OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

4        A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A FEE FOR  
 5        A PADDLEFISH OR WHITE STURGEON PERMIT; PROVIDING AN  
 6        EFFECTIVE DATE."

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 10                   sturgeon. Whenever the commission establishes limits on the  
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 12                   number of paddlefish or white sturgeon that may be taken  
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 14                   a permit issued by it to administer those limits.

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 17                   3, and the provisions of Title 87, chapter 2, apply to  
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19                   Section 3. Effective date. This act is effective May  
 20                   1, 1980.

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## STATE OF MONTANA

Request No. 156-79

## FISCAL NOTE

Form BD-15

In compliance with a written request received January 26, 1979, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for House Bill 173 pursuant to Chapter 53, Laws of Montana, 1965 - Thirty-Ninth Legislative Assembly. Background information used in developing this Fiscal Note is available from the Office of Budget and Program Planning, to members of the Legislature upon request.

## DESCRIPTION:

HB 173 is an act authorizing the Department of Fish and Game to enforce an annual limit on paddlefish and white sturgeon by issuing sets of tags for these species at \$5 per set.

## ASSUMPTION:

1. The act would be effective May 1, 1980 and the Department would first use the authority in FY 1981.
2. No tags would be issued for white sturgeon in the coming biennium because fishing for that species will be closed effective May 19, 1979.
3. 5,000 resident and nonresident anglers now fish for paddlefish and would purchase tags if they were required.
4. 10,000 sets of tags would have to be printed in order to furnish sufficient numbers to all dealers likely to sell them. 10,000 tags would cost \$3,000 at today's prices.

## FISCAL IMPACT:

	<u>FY 80</u>	<u>FY 81</u>
Additional revenue under proposed law	\$ <u>0</u>	<u>\$24,600</u>
Less: Additional expenditures under proposed law		
Personal services	0	6,000
Operating expenses	0	6,000
Equipment	<u>0</u>	<u>1,000</u>
	<u>0</u>	<u>13,000</u>
Net additional revenue due to proposed legislation	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$11,600</u>

The additional revenue would be deposited into the Fish and Game Earmarked Revenue Account.

*Richard J. Drayton*  
 BUDGET DIRECTOR  
 Office of Budget and Program Planning  
 Date: 2/1/79

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