

**EXECUTIVE AGENCY  
FISCAL NOTE**

**AGENCY'S ESTIMATES**

Date Prepared: March 31, 2015

Agency Submitting: State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

<b>Items of Revenue or Expense, or Both</b>	<b>Fiscal Year 2014-15</b>	<b>Fiscal Year 2015-16</b>	<b>Fiscal Year 2016-17</b>	<b>Effect on Future Biennia</b>
Newspaper Advertising (Expense)		\$6,050	\$6,050	\$12,100
Public Workshop Notices (Expense)		\$915	\$915	\$1,830
Total	0	\$6,965	\$6,965	\$13,930

Explanation

(Use Additional Sheets of Attachments, if required)

The Department of Conservation and Natural Resources has reviewed BDR 35-580, which would ensure protection of public access to public lands.

Section 7 of this bill requires the Administrator, before closing or temporarily closing a state park, monument, historic landmark or recreational area, to provide notice to the public of such closure or temporary closure. The Division of State Parks estimates the cost to advertise the closure at an average of \$605 per closure to advertise in three newspapers for a two week period each closure (approximately 10 closures per year).

Section 8 of this bill allows three or more residents of this State to petition the Administrator to halt such a closure or temporary closure, or to reopen a closed state park, monument, historic landmark or recreational area. The Administrator must conduct a public hearing on the petition. The Division of State Parks estimates the cost to advertise the public workshop at \$305 per workshop, with an estimate of approximately three public workshops needed per year.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION'S COMMENTS**

Date Wednesday, March 25, 2015

The agency's response appears reasonable.

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