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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6079

BILL NUMBER: SB 44

DATE PREPARED: Nov 5, 1999

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Public freshwater lakes.

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**FUNDS AFFECTED: GENERAL
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL**

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill requires the Department of Natural Resources to adopt rules to assist in the administration of the lake preservation law (IC 14-26-2); to provide objective standards for licensing the placement of a structure or material or the extraction of material over, along, or within a shoreline or waterline; and to establish a process for dispute mediation among riparian owners or between owners and the Department of Natural Resources.

Effective Date: July 1, 2000.

Explanation of State Expenditures: Adopting rules will increase by a minimal amount expenses incurred by the Department of Natural Resources. Such expenses include publishing the notice of public hearing, holding public hearings, and staff time associated with constructing the proposed rules. However, the Department should be able to absorb these expenses given its current budget. With respect to dispute mediation, the Department anticipates that it will also be able to absorb any additional expenses associated with mediation given its current budget.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Department of Natural Resources.

Local Agencies Affected:

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