

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FISCAL NOTE STATEMENT
LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION
2025 REGULAR SESSION**

MEASURE

2025 BR NUMBER 862

HOUSE BILL NUMBER 32

TITLE AN ACT relating to outdoor recreation.

SPONSOR Representative Mitchum Whitaker

FISCAL SUMMARY

STATE FISCAL IMPACT: YES NO UNCERTAIN

OTHER FISCAL STATEMENT(S) THAT MAY APPLY: ACTUARIAL ANALYSIS
 LOCAL MANDATE CORRECTIONS IMPACT HEALTH BENEFIT MANDATE

APPROPRIATION UNIT(S) IMPACTED: Cabinet for Economic Development

FUND(S) IMPACTED: GENERAL ROAD FEDERAL RESTRICTED _____

FISCAL ESTIMATES	2024-2025	2025-2026	ANNUAL IMPACT AT FULL IMPLEMENTATION
REVENUES			
EXPENDITURES		\$810,000	\$810,000
NET EFFECT		(\$810,000)	(\$810,000)

() indicates a decrease/negative

PURPOSE OF MEASURE: The measure creates a new office within the Cabinet for Economic Development, Office of Outdoor Recreation Industry, lists the duties and responsibilities of the office, and updates the enumeration of departments for the Cabinet.

FISCAL EXPLANATION: The measure is estimated to cost \$810,000 annually, including \$560,000 for personnel and \$250,000 for operating expenses. The executive director, appointed by the secretary, will have a total compensation, including fringe benefits, of \$260,000. Office staff positions, possibly classified at grades 17 or 18, will have a total compensation, including fringe benefits, of \$150,000 for each position. For fiscal year 2025, the benefit rate for personnel positions is approximately 70 percent. The cabinet plans to hire two positions. Operating costs, estimated at \$250,000, will cover operations, marketing, resources, and travel.

DATA SOURCE(S): Cabinet for Economic Development, LRC Staff

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