

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**FISCAL NOTE, 81ST LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**May 20, 2009**

**TO:** Honorable Joe Straus, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

**FROM:** John S. O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB4593** by Eiland (Relating to the marketing of shrimp and aquaculture products.), **As Passed 2nd House**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would amend the Agriculture Code to modify the Shrimp Marketing Assistance Program at the Department of Agriculture to only include wild-caught shrimp. The bill would eliminate the requirement that TDA shall assess and collect a surcharge on the annual license fee for aquaculture facilities producing shrimp to fund the Shrimp Marketing Assistance Program.

There would be a loss of revenue related to the provisions of the bill, but this loss would not be significant.

TDA anticipates that any costs associated with the bill could be absorbed within the agency's existing resources.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2009.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 551 Department of Agriculture, 802 Parks and Wildlife Department

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