

FISCAL NOTE

HB 1374 - SB 1651

February 24, 2001

SUMMARY OF BILL:

1. Adds the following to the Class I- Natural River Areas and to the Class-II Pastoral River Areas, respectively:
 - **Class I - Natural River Areas:** Caney Fork River - That continuous segment of the Caney Fork River that lies between the upstream end and the downstream end of the Bridgestone/Firestone Centennial Wilderness Area.
 - **Class II - Pastoral River Areas:** Duck River - That segment of the Duck River beginning at Iron Bridge Road at river mile 135.4 extending continuously to a point upstream at river mile 165.9 near Sharps Corner church on Tugas Bend.
2. Revises statute to require the Commissioner of Environment and Conservation to:
 - Engage in a program of outreach and education of the property owners in the area and the local community to explain the program and the environment and economic benefits it affords.
 - Obtain notarized consent of the private landowner before establishing the boundary.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant

Estimate assumes:

- administration of the Duck River and Caney Fork Rivers, once designated, can be accomplished through existing resources within the Department of Environment and Conservation.
- any future land acquisition that might be associated with the administration of any scenic river, would be accomplished with existing dedicated funds, donated funds, donated lands or interest in lands, or by cooperative agreement.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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