

# Legislative Analysis



## SKI AREA SAFETY ACT FEES

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**House Bill 4652 as introduced**  
**Sponsor: Rep. Thomas A. Albert**  
**Committee: Regulatory Reform**  
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## SUMMARY:

House Bill 4652 would amend the Ski Area Safety Act of 1962 to step up the fees for annual permits and inspections up to the year 2025.

The fee for an annual permit would be the greater of the following:

- \$37.50 through 2020, \$50 for 2021 and 2022, or \$75 for 2023 and 2024.
- The sum of the following:
  - For each rope tow, \$3 through 2020, \$4 for 2021 and 2022, or \$6 for 2023 and 2024.
  - For each T bar, J bar, or platter pull, \$7.50 through 2020, \$10 for 2021 and 2022, or \$15 for 2023 and 2024.
  - For each chair lift or skimobile, \$22.50 through 2020, \$30 for 2021 and 2022, or \$45 for 2023 and 2024.
  - For each aerial tramway, \$45 through 2020, \$60 for 2021 and 2022, or \$90 for 2023 and 2024.

The inspection fees would be the following:

- For each rope tow, \$12 through 2020, \$16 for 2021 and 2022, or \$24 for 2023 and 2024.
- For each T bar, J bar, or platter pull, \$30 through 2020, \$40 for 2021 and 2022, or \$60 for 2023 and 2024.
- For each chair lift or skimobile, \$90 through 2020, \$120 for 2021 and 2022, or \$180 for 2023 and 2024.
- For each aerial tramway, \$180 through 2020, \$240 for 2021 and 2022, or \$360 for 2023 and 2024.
- For reinspections or special inspections at an operator's request, \$75 through 2020, \$100 for 2021 and 2022, or \$150 for 2023 and 2024.

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## FISCAL IMPACT:

House Bill 4652 would increase fees for annual permits and inspections for years before 2025. Annual permit fees would be determined by the method illustrated in Table 1, while inspection fees would be determined as illustrated in Table 2. Based on current levels of licenses, the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA) estimates that annual permit revenues would increase from approximately \$3,800 per year at present to \$5,700 through the end of 2020; \$7,600 in 2021 and 2022; and \$11,400 in 2023 and 2024. LARA also estimates that annual inspection fee revenues would increase from approximately \$9,900 per year at present to \$14,900 through the end of 2020; \$19,900 in 2021 and 2022; and \$29,800 in 2023 and 2024.

Table 1

<b>Period</b>	<b>Method 1: Flat Fee</b>	<b>Method 2: Sum of the Following Columns</b>			
Present-2020	\$37.50	\$3 for each tow rope	\$7.50 for each T Bar, J Bar, or platter pull	\$22.50 for each chair lift or skimobile	\$45 for each aerial tramway
2021	\$50	\$4 for each tow rope	\$10 for each T Bar, J Bar, or platter pull	\$30 for each chair lift or skimobile	\$60 for each aerial tramway
2022	\$50	\$4 for each tow rope	\$10 for each T Bar, J Bar, or platter pull	\$30 for each chair lift or skimobile	\$60 for each aerial tramway
2023	\$75	\$6 for each tow rope	\$15 for each T Bar, J Bar, or platter pull	\$45 for each chair lift or skimobile	\$90 for each aerial tramway
2024	\$75	\$6 for each tow rope	\$15 for each T Bar, J Bar, or platter pull	\$45 for each chair lift or skimobile	\$90 for each aerial tramway

Table 2

<b>Period</b>	<b>Method: Sum of the Following Columns</b>				
Present-2020	\$12 for each tow rope	\$30 for each T Bar, J Bar, or platter pull	\$90 for each chair lift or skimobile	\$180 for each aerial tramway	\$75 for reinspections or special inspections
2021	\$16 for each tow rope	\$40 for each T Bar, J Bar, or platter pull	\$120 for each chair lift or skimobile	\$240 for each aerial tramway	\$100 for reinspections or special inspections
2022	\$16 for each tow rope	\$40 for each T Bar, J Bar, or platter pull	\$120 for each chair lift or skimobile	\$240 for each aerial tramway	\$100 for reinspections or special inspections
2023	\$24 for each tow rope	\$60 for each T Bar, J Bar, or platter pull	\$180 for each chair lift or skimobile	\$360 for each aerial tramway	\$150 for reinspections or special inspections
2024	\$24 for each tow rope	\$60 for each T Bar, J Bar, or platter pull	\$180 for each chair lift or skimobile	\$360 for each aerial tramway	\$150 for reinspections or special inspections

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