



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 335

PRINTER'S NO. 2576

PRIME SPONSOR: Sanchez

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2023/24	FY 2024/25
General Fund	\$0	See Fiscal Impact

SUMMARY:

Amends Title 18 to ban accelerated trigger activators.

ANALYSIS:

House Bill 335, Printer's Number 2576 amends Title 18 Section 908 (Prohibited Offensive Weapons) to ban accelerated trigger activators. The legislation defines accelerated trigger activators as a part or combination of parts designed and intended to accelerate the rate of fire of a semiautomatic firearm to simulate the rate of fire of a machinegun.

A person commits a misdemeanor of the first degree if, except as authorized by law, they make, repair, sell, or otherwise deal in, use, or possess any offensive weapon. A misdemeanor of the first degree is punishable by up to five years in prison and up to a \$10,000 fine.

Within ten days of the effective date of Section 2 of the legislation, the Attorney General is required to transmit notice describing in detail the contents of this act to the Legislative Reference Bureau for publication in the Pennsylvania Bulletin. The remainder of the legislation takes effect thirty days after publication in the bulletin.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Data are not available to reliably estimate how many individuals may be convicted of this offense. Therefore, its potential cost to the Commonwealth and to local governments is indeterminable.

It should be noted that the marginal annual cost to incarcerate an additional inmate in a state correctional institution was \$16,104 in FY 2022/23. This cost assumes that fewer than 300 additional individuals were incarcerated.

Enactment of this legislation will have no impact on Commonwealth funds.

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Estimates are calculated using the best information available. Actual costs and revenue impact incurred may vary from estimates.