

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1188

PRINTERS NO. 1385

PRIME SPONSOR: Wentling

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2018/19	FY 2019/20
Game Fund	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY: Amends Title 34 (Game and Wildlife Code) to remove the restriction on the use of infrared, thermal, and similar night vision optics for the hunting of game.

ANALYSIS: HB 1188 will amend Section 2308 (relating to unlawful devices and methods for hunting) by removing the current statutory restriction on the use of a sight or scope that can transmit or project a light, infrared, ultraviolet, radio, thermal, ultrasonic, particle or any other beam outside of a sight or the scope onto a target. Removal of this restriction does not automatically allow the use of such optics; rather, it allows the Game Commission to include their use by regulation if it deems appropriate.

Effective date: 60 days.

FISCAL IMPACT: The enactment of this legislation will have no adverse fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds.

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House Appropriations Committee (R)

DATE: June 19, 2019

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