



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS
2009-10 Legislative Session

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL: 94

PRINTER'S NO: 86

PRIME SPONSOR: Staback

FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY	FY 2008/09	FY 2009/10
Expenditure Increase/(Decrease):		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Revenue Increase/(Decrease):		
Game Fund	\$0	\$0

OVERVIEW:

House Bill 94 amends Title 34 (Game) reducing the active duty requirement from 180 to 60 days within the previous 24 months, for members of the PA Army National Guard, Air National Guard or reserve component of the U.S. armed forces reserve in order to qualify for the Pennsylvania National Guard Hunting License.

This legislation shall take effect immediately.

ANALYSIS:

A resident hunting license for individuals ages 17-64 costs twenty dollars (\$20) for the 2008-09 license year. The Pennsylvania National Guard Hunting License is offered at a reduced price to eligible individuals of the Pennsylvania Army National Guard or Air National Guard. The reduced price is two dollars (\$2) for the 2008-09 license year.

Adoption of this legislation could result in a loss of revenue dependent on the number of individuals that will now be eligible for the Pennsylvania National Guard Hunting License at the reduced price. For example a licensee that had been paying twenty dollars (\$20) for a resident hunting license and is now eligible for the two dollar (\$2) license, would result in eighteen dollars (\$18) of lost revenue.

According to the Pennsylvania Game Commission website, 2,710 resident military licenses were sold in 2007. The Department of Military and Veteran Affairs estimates that 6,000 members of the PA National Guard (Army and Air) will be deployed in the upcoming months. Based on that data, the Game Commission estimates about 300-400 additional Pennsylvania National Guard Hunting Licenses will be sold at the reduced price. This would result in a (\$5,400 between \$7,200) loss of revenue to the Game Fund.

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