



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

SENATE BILL NO. 623

PRINTERS NO. 951

PRIME SPONSOR: Corman

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2012/13	FY 2013/14
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Game Fund	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY: Amends Title 34 (Game and Wildlife Code) to expand the current Mentored Youth Hunting program to all persons, regardless of age.

ANALYSIS: SB 623 amends Section 2701 and Section 2711 of Title 34 (Game and Wildlife Code) to expand the current mentored youth hunting program to all persons, regardless of age. Currently, the law limits participation to youth in the Game Commission's mentored hunting program. The bill removes the word "youth" from the mentored hunting provisions in the law. Additionally, the word "youth" is replaced by the word "person" in Section 2711 as it relates to the restriction on receiving only one antlerless deer per license year under the Mentored Hunting Program.

The legislation also provides that a person 17 years of age or older may participate in a mentored hunting program as a mentored hunter in no more than three licensing years.

FISCAL IMPACT: Enactment of this legislation will have no adverse impact on Commonwealth funds. Although it cannot be estimated, the Game Commission could see a revenue increase as some of the mentored adult participants may ultimately choose to purchase hunting licenses.

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