



# HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

## FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 263

PRINTERS NO. 267

PRIME SPONSOR: Gabler

### COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2014/15	FY 2015/16
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Game Fund	\$0	\$0

**SUMMARY:** Amends Title 34 (Game and Wildlife Code) to remove the restriction on air, chemical or gas cylinder powered firearms for hunting.

**ANALYSIS:** HB 263 amends Section 2308 of Title 34 (relating to unlawful devices and methods) by removing the prohibition on the use of air, chemical or gas cylinder operated weapons which can propel or discharge a projectile of any kind or size. This will not automatically allow the use of such weapons for any particular species, but rather allow the PA Game Commission to institute the use of such weapons if they choose to do so under their regulatory authority to manage game species through seasons and bag limits.

Effective date: 60 days

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Enactment of this legislation will have no adverse impact on Commonwealth funds.

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**DATE:** April 21, 2015

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