



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 397

PRINTERS NO. 409

PRIME SPONSOR: Maloney

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2016/17	FY 2017/18
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Game Fund	See fiscal impact	See fiscal impact

SUMMARY: Amends Title 34 (Game) to provide for expanded availability of hunter education courses in public schools, through the use of school facilities at the request of the PA Game Commission.

ANALYSIS: HB 397 will amend Section 2704 (relating to eligibility for license) by adding a new subsection (g) to provide that, upon request of the PA Game Commission, public school districts are required to make a school facility under their control available for the purpose of conducting a hunter education course. Classes may occur as an after-school or weekend function or any other day when school is not in session. The PA Game Commission shall to the best of its ability work with the school to schedule classes for a time that best suits both the school and the commission. Classes must comply with curriculum standards and program policies established by the director of the commission. The PA Game Commission shall compensate the school for the actual cost incurred by the school related to the commission's use of the facility. No fees may be charged to the public for the classes.

Effective date: 60 days

FISCAL IMPACT: Although the PA Game Commission already provides reimbursement to the facilities that host hunter education courses, this legislation could have a minimal fiscal impact on the Game Fund if the number of courses offered rises due to increased availability of school facilities.

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