

SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE

BILL NO.

Senate Bill 301

PRINTER'S NO.

300

AMOUNT

\$500 to \$1000 decreased
revenue annually

FUND

Game

DATE INTRODUCED

Feb. 20, 2009

PRIME SPONSOR

Senator Vance

HISTORY OF BILL

Referred to GAME & FISHERIES, Feb. 20, 2009
Reported as committed, April 29, 2009
First consideration, April 29, 2009
Re-referred to APPROPRIATIONS, May 4, 2009
Re-reported as committed, June 8, 2009

DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE OF BILL

Senate Bill 301 changes the eligibility requirements for reduced fees for fishing licenses from 180 days of active deployment to 60 days within the previous 24 month period for the members of the Pennsylvania National Guard, Air National Guard, or Reservists. The fee is reduced from the current license fee of \$21 to \$1.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Fish Commission estimates that about 25 – 50 additional persons may be eligible for and take advantage of the reduced fee. The current fishing license fee is \$21. Reducing the fee for these persons to \$1 would result in lost revenue of \$20/person. Therefore, the reduced license fee could result in decreased revenue to the Fish Fund of \$500 to \$1,000.