

**SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
FISCAL NOTE**

BILL NO. House Bill 1188

PRINTER NO. 1385

AMOUNT

No Fiscal Impact

FUND

Game Fund

DATE INTRODUCED

April 11, 2019

PRIME SPONSOR

Representative Wentling

DESCRIPTION

House Bill 1188 amends Title 34 (Game and Wildlife Code) to remove the restriction on the use of infrared, thermal and similar night vision optics for the hunting of game.

Currently, Section 2308 forbids the use of an archery sight or firearm scope that can transmit or project a light, infrared, ultraviolet, radio, thermal, ultrasonic, particle or any other beam outside of a sight or the scope onto a target. House Bill 1188 will amend Section 2308 (relating to unlawful devices and methods for hunting) by removing the prohibition on these devices, but the bill allows the Pennsylvania Game Commission to regulate these devices as it deems necessary.

This bill shall take effect in 60 days.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The enactment of this legislation will have no fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds.