

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

**HOUSE BILL**  
**No. 1038** Session of  
1975

INTRODUCED BY FINEMAN, GREENFIELD, LEDERER, RAPPAPORT, VANN,  
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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON URBAN AFFAIRS, APRIL 21, 1975

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania  
2 Consolidated Statutes, further providing for the regulation  
3 of firearms by cities of the first class.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Section 6120 of Title 18, act of November 25,  
7 1970 (P.L.707, No.230), known as the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
8 Statutes, added October 18, 1974 (No.260), is amended to read:  
9 § 6120. Limitation on municipal regulation of firearms.

10 (a) General rule.--[No] Except in cities of the first class,  
11 no county, municipality or township may in any manner regulate  
12 the lawful ownership, possession or transportation of [firearms]  
13 hand guns when carried or transported for purposes not  
14 prohibited by the laws of this Commonwealth. Cities of the first  
15 class may not in any manner regulate the ownership, possession  
16 or transportation of firearms by persons licensed to hunt or  
17 fish in this Commonwealth, if such persons are actually hunting  
18 or fishing or are going to the places where they desire to hunt

1 or fish or returning from such places. Bonafide members of rifle  
2 and hunting clubs shall not be prohibited from transporting  
3 rifles, shotguns, etc. to and from clubs for the purpose of  
4 target practice, skeet and trap shooting.

5 (b) Definition.--For the purposes of this section, the term  
6 "firearms" shall not include "air rifles" as defined in section  
7 6304 (relating to sale and use of air rifles).

8 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.