
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1541 Session of
2009

INTRODUCED BY METCALFE, BAKER, BENNINGHOFF, BOYD, BROOKS, BURNS,
CAUSER, CLYMER, CREIGHTON, CUTLER, DENLINGER, EVERETT,
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MILLARD, MOUL, MUSTIO, PYLE, RAPP, READSHAW, ROAE, ROCK,
ROHRER, S. H. SMITH, STABACK, STERN, STEVENSON, SWANGER,
TURZAI AND VULAKOVICH, MAY 26, 2009

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, MAY 26, 2009

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, in firearms and other dangerous
3 articles, further providing for limitation on the regulation
4 of firearms and ammunition.

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

7 Section 1. Section 6120 of Title 18 of the Pennsylvania
8 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a subsection to read:
9 § 6120. Limitation on the regulation of firearms and
10 ammunition.

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12 (a.2) Remedies for unlawful regulation.--Notwithstanding any
13 other provision of law, upon finding that a county, municipality
14 or township in any manner regulated the lawful ownership,
15 possession, transfer or transportation of firearms, ammunition
16 or ammunition components in violation of subsection (a) or 53

1 Pa.C.S. § 2962(g) (relating to limitation on municipal powers),
2 a court shall direct the county, municipality or township to pay
3 actual damages and reasonable attorney fees and costs to a party
4 who successfully challenges the regulation.

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6 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.