



House of Representatives

General Assembly

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House Bill No. 6570

House of Representatives, April 5, 2007

The Committee on Environment reported through REP. ROY, R. of the 119th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT BANNING THE SALE OR USE OF COMPUTER SOFTWARE OR SERVICES TO REMOTELY OPERATE WEAPONS TO HUNT ANIMALS OR BIRDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2007*) (a) No person shall
2 operate, provide, sell, use or offer to operate, provide, sell or use any
3 computer software or service in this state that allows a person, when
4 not physically present, to remotely control a firearm or weapon to hunt
5 a live animal or bird.

6 (b) A violation of subsection (a) of this section shall be a class A
7 misdemeanor.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>October 1, 2007</i>	New section
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ENV Joint Favorable

The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose:

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 08 \$	FY 09 \$
Judicial Dept.	GF - Revenue Gain	Potential Minimal	Potential Minimal
Judicial Department (Probation); Correction, Dept.	GF - Cost	Potential Minimal	Potential Minimal

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

Any revenue from criminal fines imposed under the bill or marginal cost for incarceration and/or probation supervision in the community as a result of the bill would be minimal.

The Out Years

The annualized cost identified above would continue into the future subject to inflation. Potential revenues would remain constant into the future since they are set by statute.

OLR Bill Analysis

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AN ACT BANNING THE SALE OR USE OF COMPUTER SOFTWARE OR SERVICES TO REMOTELY OPERATE WEAPONS TO HUNT ANIMALS OR BIRDS.

SUMMARY:

This bill prohibits anyone from operating, providing, selling, using, or offering to do so, any computer software or service in the state that allows anyone to remotely control, not in person, a firearm or weapon to hunt a live animal or bird.

Violation is a class A misdemeanor, which is punishable by up to one year in prison, a \$ 2,000 fine, or both.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2007

COMMITTEE ACTION

Environment Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 30 Nay 0 (03/19/2007)