

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 54th Legislature

Bill No.:	SB 819
Version:	CS
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Impact:	No impact

Research Analysis

The committee substitute prohibits hunters from using laser sighting devices except for battery powered scoping devices that project a light or dot inside the scope and pin sight lights on archery equipment. Licensed hunters may use a .22 caliber rimfire rifle or pistol with a laser sighting device while hunting furbearers with hounds during legal, open furbearer season. Laser sighting device is defined as any artificial light or any form that casts or reflects a beam of light onto or otherwise illuminates wildlife. Hunters who are 100 percent disabled as certified by the Social Security Administration or the United States Department of Veterans Affairs or are certified as being legally blind by a physician may use laser sighting devices if they are hunting on private property and are accompanied by a licensed hunter. Anyone found in violation of the provisions will be guilty of a misdemeanor.

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Fiscal Analysis

CS for SB 819 would have no direct state fiscal impact.

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Other Considerations

None.