149th GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL NOTE

BILL:	**SENATE BILL NO. 198**
SPONSOR:	**Senator Ennis**
DESCRIPTION:	**AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 7 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO REGULATIONS AND PROHIBITIONS CONCERNING GAME AND FISH.**

Assumptions:

1. This Act becomes effective upon signature by the Governor.
2. This Act eliminates the prohibition against hunting for deer on Sundays during deer hunting seasons and allows for deer harvesting on Sundays during the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control's (DNREC) deer depredation programs.
3. Recreational deer hunting seasons begin September 1 and ends on January 31. DNREC deer depredation programs occur from August 15 through May 15.
4. In order to ensure compliance and enforcement, DNREC will incur the following costs associated with Sunday hunting:
    a. Contractual costs for fleet vehicles, cell phones, etc. in the amount of $3,500;
    b. Supply costs for surveillance equipment, fuel, etc. in the amount of $1,500; and
    c. Personnel costs for overtime pay and other employment costs for three existing full-time DNREC Enforcement Officers for nine months out of the year in the amount of $40,020.

Cost:

Fiscal Year 2019: $45,020
Fiscal Year 2020: $45,020
Fiscal Year 2021: $45,020

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