Department of Planning and Budget
2014 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** SB154

House of Origin	☒	Introduced	☐	Substitute	☐ Engrossed
Second House	☐	In Committee	☐	Substitute	☐ Enrolled

2. **Patron:** Puckett

3. **Committee:** Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources

4. **Title:** Hunting on Sundays.

5. **Summary:** This bill allows hunting on Sundays under certain circumstances. A person may hunt waterfowl, subject to restrictions imposed by the Director of the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, and a landowner and his immediate family or a person with written permission may hunt or kill any wild bird or wild animal, including nuisance species, if they hunt on the landowner's property. However, the aforementioned hunting activities cannot occur within 200 yards of a house of worship. The bill prohibits the hunting of deer with dogs on Sunday.

6. **Budget Amendment Necessary**: No.

7. **Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary, see item 8.

8. **Fiscal Implications:** It is anticipated that any fiscal impact resulting from this bill will be minimal to the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries. According to the department, there are law enforcement officers as well as other agency staff members work currently work on Sundays. The agency expects an increase in dispatch call intake during the first year of implementation. In addition, the department may need to authorize overtime for conservation officers, or hire additional officers, to enforce provisions of this bill. Any impact, however, is expected to be minimal.

9. **Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department of Game and Inland Fisheries.

10. **Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

11. **Other Comments:** This bill is identical to HB1237.