

# Legislative Analysis

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## **ALLOW SMALL GAME HUNTING FROM PERSONAL ASSISTIVE MOBILITY DEVICE**

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**House Bill 5361 (Substitute H-1)**  
**Sponsor: Rep. Charles Smiley**  
**Committee: Natural Resources**

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### **A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE**

House Bill 5361 would allow individuals who need a personal assistive mobility device due to impaired mobility to hunt wild game from that vehicle.

A personal assistive mobility device is defined as "any device, including, but not limited to, one that is battery-powered, that is designed solely for use by an individual with mobility impairment for locomotion and is considered an extension of the individual."

Under the bill, an individual with a valid permit to hunt from a standing vehicle who uses one of these personal assistive mobility devices could transport or possess an uncased firearm with a loaded magazine if the action was open. In order for that individual to possess and/or discharge a loaded firearm for the taking of wild game, the following the requirements must be met:

- The personal assistive mobility device cannot be moving.
- The individual must hold a valid base license and any other necessary license, and comply with all other laws and rules for the taking of game.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

House Bill 5361 would not have a significant fiscal impact on the Department of Natural Resources.

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