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ENDANGERED SPECIES: AMEND PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS

House Bill 4963

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Committee: Judiciary and Civil Rights

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4963 AS INTRODUCED 6-14-95

Currently, the penalty provisions for the Endangered Species Protection part of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act (Public Act 451 of 1994, formerly the Endangered Species Act of 1974) make it a misdemeanor to violate any provision of, or to fail to procure a permit under, that part of the act. The act says that violators "shall be fined not more than \$1,000.00 nor less than \$100.00, or imprisoned for more than 90 days, or both." The bill would amend this section of the act to say instead that endangered species violations or failure to obtain permits required under this part of the act would be misdemeanors "punishable by imprisonment for not more than 90 days, or a fine of not more than \$1,000.00 or less than \$100.00, or both" (emphasis added).

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