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Senate Bill 964 (Substitute S-1 as reported by the Committee of the Whole)  
Sponsor: Senator Loren Bennett  
Committee: Hunting, Fishing and Forestry

### **CONTENT**

The bill would amend Part 401 (Wildlife Conservation) of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act to prohibit the Department of Natural Resources from issuing an order that would limit, require a permit or authorization for, or prohibit the possession of lawfully taken game or fish during any time period, or at any location, after the close of hunting or fishing season.

The Act defines "game" as any of the following animals: badger, bear, beaver, bobcat, brant, coot, coyote, crow, deer, duck, elk, fisher, Florida gallinule, fox, geese, hare, Hungarian partridge, marten, mink, moose, muskrat, opossum, otter, pheasant, quail, rabbit, raccoon, ruffed grouse, sharp-tailed grouse, skunk, snipe, sora rail, squirrels, weasel, wild turkey, woodchuck, woodcock, and Virginia rail.

Proposed MCL 324.40109a

Legislative Analyst: N. Nagata

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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