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S.B. 1021: FLOOR ANALYSIS

Senate Bill 1021 (as reported without amendment)

Sponsor: Senator Dave Jaye

Committee: Hunting, Fishing and Forestry

CONTENT

The bill would repeal the following Local Acts which prohibit or restrict Sunday hunting: Local Act 1 of 1935 (Hillsdale County), Local Act 1 of 1931 (Lenawee County), Local Act 9 of 1947 (Macomb County), Local Act 4 of 1939 (St. Clair County), Local Act 2 of 1927 (Tuscola County), and Local Act 9 of 1927 (Washtenaw County).

Currently, the Local Acts prevent hunting for game animals and game birds with firearms or dogs on any Sunday in the respective counties. The Acts are effective after approval by a majority of the electors voting in the counties. Under the Acts, a person is subject to a misdemeanor charge and the following penalties for a violation:

- -- A fine of up to \$100 and/or imprisonment in a county jail for up to 90 days. (Hillsdale and Macomb)
- -- A fine of up to \$25 and prosecution costs and/or imprisonment in a county jail for up to 30 days. (Lenawee and St. Clair)
- -- A fine of at least \$10 and up to \$25 and prosecution costs and/or imprisonment in a county jail for up to 30 days. (Tuscola and Washtenaw)

All of the Acts, except Local Act 1 of 1935, allow State conservation officers to receive the same fees for making an arrest under the Acts that other officers make for similar service.

Legislative Analyst: N. Nagata

FISCAL IMPACT

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

Date Completed: 3-25-98 Fiscal Analyst: G. Cutler