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House Bill 6147 (as reported without amendment)  
Sponsor: Representative Sue Tabor  
House Committee: Conservation and Outdoor Recreation  
Senate Committee: Hunting, Fishing and Forestry

### **CONTENT**

The bill would amend Part 401 (Wildlife Conservation) of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act to include mourning doves in the definition of "game" beginning June 1, 2001.

The bill also would repeal a section that allows only the Legislature to designate species as game and establish the first open season for the taking of an animal (MCL 324.40110).

MCL 324.40103

Legislative Analyst: N. Nagata

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The bill would have an indeterminate fiscal impact depending on whether the addition of mourning doves would cause an increase in the sale of small game licenses, or an increase in enforcement activities or fines related to dove hunting.

Currently, approximately 365,000 small game licenses are issued, generating approximately \$4 million in revenue.

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