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Senate Bill 507 (Substitute S-2 as reported by the Committee of the Whole)

Sponsor: Senator Patricia L. Birkholz

Committee: Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure to include violations related to genetically engineered, nonnative, prohibited, and restricted organisms in the sentencing guidelines.

Currently, the possession or release of a genetically engineered, nonnative, or prohibited fish is a class E property felony punishable by imprisonment for up to five years. The bill would delete that violation and include the violations and penalties under Senate Bill 214 (S-3), which would amend Part 413 (Transgenic and Nonnative Organisms) of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act to revise the penalties under Part 413 and the violations subject to those penalties.

Senate Bill 507 (S-2) is tie-barred to Senate Bill 214.

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FISCAL IMPACT

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

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