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Senate Bill 164 (as introduced 2-3-09)

Sponsor: Senator Jim Barcia

Committee: Hunting, Fishing and Outdoor Recreation

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CONTENT

The bill would amend Part 401 (Wildlife Conservation) of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act to allow the Department of Natural Resources to issue a permit authorizing the taking of game with a crossbow by a person who was temporarily disabled. Currently, the Department may issue a crossbow permit only to a person who is permanently disabled.

MCL 324.40114 Legislative Analyst: Julie Cassidy

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have a minimal fiscal impact as individuals who are temporarily disabled would be allowed to purchase a crossbow permit; otherwise, they may have had to forego the hunting season altogether. Revenue from hunting licenses is deposited into the Game and Fish Protection Fund.

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