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Senate Bill 1228 (as reported without amendment)

Sponsor: Senator Jim Barcia

Committee: Hunting, Fishing and Outdoor Recreation

## **CONTENT**

The bill would amend Part 401 (Wildlife Conservation) of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act to allow the Department of Natural Resources and Environment (DNRE) to issue permits authorizing the taking or possession of raptors for the purposes of falconry.

MCL 324.40114 Legislative Analyst: Julie Cassidy

## FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have a minimal fiscal impact on the State. The Natural Resources Commission already has issued an order to allow individuals to practice falconry. If there are costs associated with this order, they are already accruing and being paid for by the DNRE. This bill simply would put the DNRE's authority to issue falconry permits into statute, and should not result in additional costs.

Date Completed: 4-15-10 Fiscal Analyst: Josh Sefton