

Department of Planning and Budget 2008 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB365

House of Origin X Introduced Substitute Engrossed
Second House In Committee Substitute Enrolled

2. Patron: Watkins

3. Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources

4. Title: **Hunting turkeys.**

5. Summary: Hunting turkeys. Authorizes localities to prohibit the hunting of turkeys with a rifle. The penalty for violation of the local ordinance is a Class 4 misdemeanor.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are preliminary. See item 8, below.

7. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

8. Fiscal Implications: The bill allows a locality to adopt an ordinance to prohibit the hunting of turkeys with a rifle and makes the violation thereof a Class 4 misdemeanor. The penalty for a Class 4 misdemeanor is a fine of not more than \$250. The bill could have an impact on the court system, but the impact would depend on the number of cases under the new ordinance.

Revenue generated from the penalty established by the local ordinance would be retained by the locality.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, localities that adopt such an ordinance, and the court system.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

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cc: Secretary of Natural Resources