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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATE BILL

No. 124 Session of  
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INTRODUCED BY BOSCOLA, BREWSTER, COSTA, HUGHES, SCHWANK,  
RAFFERTY, SCAVELLO, VOGEL AND VULAKOVICH, JANUARY 20, 2017

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REFERRED TO GAME AND FISHERIES, JANUARY 20, 2017

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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
2 Statutes, in enforcement, further providing for jurisdiction  
3 and penalties; and, in game or wildlife protection, further  
4 providing for unlawful taking and possession of protected  
5 birds and for endangered or threatened species.

6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
7 hereby enacts as follows:

8 Section 1. Sections 925(b), 2164(d) and 2167(d) of Title 34  
9 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended by adding  
10 paragraphs to read:

11 § 925. Jurisdiction and penalties.

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13 (b) Fines and penalties for violations.--In addition to any  
14 other requirements of this title, the following fines and  
15 penalties shall be imposed for violations of this title:

16 \* \* \*

17 (4.1) Summary offense and not less than \$2,500 when the  
18 offense involves a violation of section 2164 (relating to  
19 unlawful taking and possession of protected birds) that

1 results in the killing of a bald eagle or golden eagle.

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3 § 2164. Unlawful taking and possession of protected birds.

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5 (d) Penalties.--

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7 (3) A violation of this section relating to birds listed  
8 under the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (54 Stat. 250,  
9 16 U.S.C. § 668) is, in addition to any other penalties, a  
10 misdemeanor of the second degree.

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12 § 2167. Endangered or threatened species.

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14 (d) Penalties.--A violation of this section shall be graded  
15 as follows:

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17 (4) In addition to any other penalty, a violation of  
18 subsection (b) that results in the killing of a protected  
19 bird listed in the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (54  
20 Stat. 250, 16 U.S.C. § 668) shall be graded one degree higher  
21 than the penalty provided under paragraph (1), (2) or (3).

22 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.