

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILLNo. **337** Session of
2021INTRODUCED BY BOSCOLA, COSTA, FONTANA, SCHWANK AND MENSCH,
MARCH 3, 2021

REFERRED TO GAME AND FISHERIES, MARCH 3, 2021

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 the offense of unlawful taking and possession
5 of protected 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:

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17 (4.1) Summary offense, not less than \$2,000 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.