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**BILL ANALYSIS**

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House Bill 5351 (as reported without amendment)

Sponsor: Representative Steve Bieda

House Committee: Conservation, Forestry, and Outdoor Recreation

Senate Committee: Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs

**CONTENT**

The bill would repeal Public Act 125 of 1941, which provides for a bounty for killing a starling or crow.

Under the Act, a person who kills a starling or crow in any organized township, village, or city is entitled to receive a bounty of three cents for each starling and 10 cents for each crow. The law states that it is not obligatory on any county unless the board of supervisors adopts a resolution to that effect, and then only to the amount the board appropriates for that purpose. It is not effective in any city or village in the county unless the governing body adopts a resolution to that effect.

A person who collects or attempts to collect any bounty under the Act on any bird other than starlings or crows, or who collects or attempts to collect a bounty in a county other than the county in which the birds were killed, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of between \$1 and \$10 and/or imprisonment for up to 10 days.

MCL 433.301-433.304

Legislative Analyst: Julie Cassidy

**FISCAL IMPACT**

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State government. The bill would negligibly reduce local unit expenses in any local unit that currently pays the affected bounties. To the extent no local units authorize such bounties, the bill would have no fiscal impact.

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