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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 7814**  
**BILL NUMBER: SB 590**

**DATE PREPARED:** Jan 14, 1999  
**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Ordinances and regulations affecting licensed falconry.

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**FUNDS AFFECTED:**     **GENERAL**  
                              **DEDICATED**  
                              **FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** No Fiscal Impact

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill requires a local governmental entity that wishes to adopt a regulation that affects the practice of falconry by persons holding a falconry license issued by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to reasonably accommodate license holders by adopting the minimum practicable regulation that is required to accomplish a legitimate purpose of the local governmental entity.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 1999.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:**

**Explanation of State Revenues:** By requiring local units of government to adopt the minimum practicable regulation, the number of individuals seeking falconry licenses should remain constant. This bill should not produce a fiscal impact.

*As a point of information,* there were 78 falconry licenses held in Indiana as of October 1998. The DNR collects a \$60 fee for each license (a federal fee of \$25 is also assessed), and licenses must be renewed every three years. Revenue collected from falconry licenses is deposited in the Fish and Wildlife Fund.

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:**

**Local Agencies Affected:** Local units that seek to impose restrictions on falconry.

**Information Sources:** Division of Fish and Wildlife, Department of Natural Resources, (317) 232-4080.