
OLR Bill Analysis**sSB 827*****AN ACT CONCERNING FALCONRY.*****SUMMARY:**

By law, the sport of falconry is permitted in Connecticut. This bill permits falconry on Sunday for the purpose of taking wildlife other than migratory birds, despite the state's general ban on Sunday hunting.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2011

BACKGROUND***Falconry***

Falconry means using trained raptors to take wild game. The law limits the birds that can be used to certain hawks, falcons, and owls not listed as endangered, threatened, or of special concern under the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) regulations. The law requires falconers to abide by federal falconry regulations and guidelines.

A person must hold a valid state hunting license before obtaining a falconry permit. A falconry permittee must, by January 1 each year, self-certify to the DEP commissioner that he or she has complied with the federal falconry regulations.

Related Bill

The Environment Committee reported out sHB 5158, which permits bow and arrow hunting on Sunday under certain circumstances.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Environment Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 16 Nay 11 (03/09/2011)

