

**Local Mandate Fiscal Impact Estimate  
Kentucky Legislative Research Commission  
2015 Regular Session**

**Part I: Measure Information**

**Bill Request #:** 8

**Bill #:** SB 56

**Bill Subject/Title:** An act relating to obstructing or disrupting the lawful taking of wildlife.

**Sponsor:** Senator Robin Webb

Unit of Government:  City  County  Urban-County  
Unified Local  
 Charter County  Consolidated Local  Government

Office(s) Impacted: Law enforcement, corrections

Requirement:  Mandatory  Optional

Effect on Powers & Duties:  Modifies Existing  Adds New  Eliminates Existing

**Part II: Purpose and Mechanics**

SB 56 amends KRS 150.710 to specify that it is unlawful to disrupt or obstruct a person's right to take wildlife by means of unmanned aerial devices as well as other means.

**Part III: Fiscal Explanation, Bill Provisions, and Estimated Cost**

**The fiscal impact is expected to be minimal.** The language of SB 56 clarifies but does not expand the number of activities subject to penalty.

A first violation of KRS 150.710 is a Class B misdemeanor. A person convicted of a Class B misdemeanor may be incarcerated for up to 90 days. A person convicted of a Class A misdemeanor may be incarcerated for up to one year. Misdemeanants are housed in one of Kentucky's 77 full service jails or five life safety jails. While the expense of housing inmates varies by jail, each additional inmate increases facility costs by an estimated average of \$33.26 per day including medical costs.

**Data Source(s):** Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources, Kentucky Corrections Cabinet, LRC staff

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