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Senate Bill 966 (Substitute S-4 as reported)
Sponsor: Senator Mike Rogers
Committee: Hunting, Fishing and Forestry

CONTENT

The bill would amend Part 5 (Department of Natural Resources) of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act to allow an individual to use a firearm loaded with any number of rounds not exceeding capacity under the manufacturer's original magazine and to discharge without interruption any or all of the rounds in the firearm at a designated shooting range on land under the control of the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). For a recognized shooting competition, however, an individual could use a firearm loaded with any number of rounds not exceeding the number authorized under competition rules. Notwithstanding the bill's provision, an individual at a designated shooting range on land under the control of the DNR would not be able to use a pistol with more than 19 rounds or a long gun loaded with more than 20 rounds.

The bill further provides that a DNR employee acting in an official capacity could expel an individual from the shooting range for a day for violating the bill, or if the DNR employee determined that the individual was not safely handling his or her firearm. The number of rounds loaded in a firearm would not be a basis for expelling an individual from a shooting range if in conformity with the bill.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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