



# Wildlife and Natural Environment (Scotland) Act 2011

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## PART 2

### WILDLIFE UNDER THE 1981 ACT

#### *Annual report on wildlife crime*

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After section 26A of the 1981 Act insert—

##### **“26B Annual report on wildlife crime**

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, after the end of each calendar year, lay before the Scottish Parliament a report on offences relating to wildlife.
- (2) The report may, in particular, include—
  - (a) information on the incidence and prosecution of such offences during the year to which the report relates;
  - (b) information on research and advice relating to wildlife which the Scottish Ministers consider relevant to such offences.
- (3) The report need only include information in relation to such offences relating to wildlife as the Scottish Ministers consider appropriate.
- (4) For the purposes of this section, an offence relating to wildlife is an offence—
  - (a) under Part 1 of this Act; or
  - (b) under any other enactment which the Scottish Ministers consider may have an impact on wildlife.”.