

**481A.21 Birds as targets.**

A person shall not keep or use any live pigeon or other bird as a target, to be shot at for amusement or as a test of skill in marksmanship, or shoot at a bird kept or used for such purpose, or be a party to such shooting, or lease any building, room, field, or premises, or knowingly permit the use thereof, for the purpose of such shooting. [This section](#) does not prevent any person from shooting at live pigeons, sparrows, and starlings when used in the training of hunting dogs. [This section](#) does not prevent any person from shooting at a game bird that is released a minimum of twenty-five yards from that person on a licensed hunting preserve. For the purposes of [this section](#), “*game bird*” means the same as defined in [section 484B.1](#).

[S13, §2563-i; C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, §1778; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §109.21]

[88 Acts, ch 1216, §5](#)

C93, §481A.21

[2009 Acts, ch 179, §213, 217; 2010 Acts, ch 1154, §1](#)

Referred to in [§481A.22, 805.8B\(3\)\(c\)](#)

For applicable scheduled fines, see [§805.8B](#), subsection 3, paragraph c