

HOUSE BILL No. 5811

April 25, 1996, Introduced by Reps. McManus, DeMars, Anthony, Jaye, Hill, Horton, Goschka, Kaza, Walberg, Profit, Tesanovich, DeHart, Lowe, Cropsey, McBryde, Kukuk, Sikkema, Gernaat, Jellema, Wetters and Green and referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Civil Rights.

A bill to amend section 43520 of Act No. 451 of the Public Acts of 1994, entitled

"Natural resources and environmental protection act," as added by Act No. 57 of the Public Acts of 1995, being section 324.43520 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Section 1. Section 43520 of Act No. 451 of the Public Acts
- 2 of 1994, as added by Act No. 57 of the Public Acts of 1995, being
- 3 section 324.43520 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is amended to
- 4 read as follows:
- 5 Sec. 43520. (1) Subject to other requirements of this part,
- 6 the department may issue a hunting license to a minor child
- 7 subject to both of the following conditions:
- 8 (a) On application of a parent or legal guardian of the
- 9 minor child, if the minor child, when hunting on lands upon which

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- I the minor child's parents are not regularly domiciled, is
- 2 accompanied by the parent or guardian or another person autho-
- 3 rized by the parent or guardian who is 17 years of age or older.
- 4 (b) Payment of the license fee.
- 5 (2) A license to hunt deer, bear, or elk with a firearm
- 6 shall not be issued to a person who is less than 14 years of
- 7 age.
- 8 (2) -(3)- A license to hunt shall not be issued to a person
- 9 who is less than 12 years of age.
- 10 (3) -(4) A person authorized to sell hunting licenses shall
- 11 not issue a hunting license to a person born after January 1,
- 12 1960, unless the person presents proof of previous hunting
- 13 experience in the form of a hunting license issued by this state,
- 14 another state, a province of Canada, or another country or a cer-
- 15 tification of completion of training in hunter safety issued to
- 16 the person by this state, another state, a province of Canada, or
- 17 another country. If an applicant for a hunting license does not
- 18 have proof of a previous license or a certification of completion
- 19 of training in hunter safety, a person authorized to sell hunting
- 20 licenses may issue a hunting license if the applicant submits a
- 21 signed affidavit stating that they have completed a course in
- 22 hunter safety or that they have possessed a hunting license
- 23 previously. The person selling a hunting license shall record as
- 24 specified by the department the form of proof of the previous
- 25 hunting experience or certification of completion of hunter
- 26 safety training presented by the applicant.