

SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 5453

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled
"Natural resources and environmental protection act,"
(MCL 324.101 to 324.90106) by adding section 52512.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 SEC. 52512. (1) WHEN THE DEPARTMENT EVALUATES ACREAGE WITHIN
2 THE STATE FOREST FOR PURPOSES OF MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES, THE
3 DEPARTMENT SHALL PUT UP FOR TIMBER SALE ALL ACREAGE MEETING
4 SILVICULTURAL CRITERIA THAT ARE DESIGNED TO MAXIMIZE FOREST
5 ECONOMICS AND FOREST GROWTH WITHIN 18 MONTHS FOLLOWING COMPLETION
6 OF THE EVALUATION EXCEPT FOR ACREAGE RESTRICTED FROM HARVESTING
7 UNDER STATE OR FEDERAL LAW OR REQUIREMENTS NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN
8 CERTIFICATION WITH SUSTAINABLE FORESTRY STANDARDS UNDER SECTION
9 52505.

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1 (2) WHEN THE DEPARTMENT PUTS TIMBER SALES UP FOR BID AS
2 PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (1), THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PROVIDE TO ALL
3 BIDDERS, FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY, THE ACREAGE INCLUDED IN THE
4 TIMBER SALE THAT WAS IDENTIFIED BY THE DEPARTMENT PRIOR TO THE
5 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE AMENDATORY ACT THAT ADDED THIS SECTION AS
6 CONTAINING FACTOR LIMITATIONS.

7 (3) NOT LATER THAN OCTOBER 1 OF EACH YEAR, THE DEPARTMENT
8 SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE AND
9 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THAT HANDLE FORESTRY ISSUES THAT INCLUDES
10 ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

11 (A) THE TOTAL NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE STATE FOREST THAT HAVE
12 BEEN IDENTIFIED BY THE DEPARTMENT AS CONTAINING FACTOR LIMITATIONS.

13 (B) THE SPECIFIC REASONS FOR THE FACTOR LIMITATIONS IDENTIFIED
14 UNDER SUBDIVISION (A).

15 (C) RECOMMENDED ACTIONS TO REMOVE THE FACTOR LIMITATIONS FROM
16 LANDS LISTED IN SUBDIVISION (A) AND RETURN THOSE LANDS TO ACTIVE
17 FOREST MANAGEMENT.

18 (4) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "FACTOR LIMITATIONS" MEANS ANY
19 LEGAL REQUIREMENTS THAT RESTRAIN TIMBER SALES WITHIN THE STATE
20 FOREST ON ACRES MEETING SILVICULTURAL CRITERIA THAT ARE DESIGNED TO
21 MAXIMIZE FOREST ECONOMICS AND FOREST GROWTH.

[Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect unless House Bill No. 4622 of the 93rd Legislature is enacted into law.]