

# SENATE BILL No. 446

September 9, 2015, Introduced by Senator JONES and referred to the Committee on Outdoor Recreation and Tourism.

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled  
"Natural resources and environmental protection act,"  
by amending section 40111a (MCL 324.40111a), as amended by 2009 PA  
199.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1       Sec. 40111a. (1) The commission, after consultation with the  
2       commission of agriculture, shall issue in the manner provided in  
3       section 40113a an order concerning deer and elk feeding in this  
4       state.

5       (2) As used in this section, "deer and elk feeding" means the  
6       depositing, distributing, or tending of feed in an area frequented  
7       by wild, free-ranging white-tailed deer and elk to prevent them  
8       from starving or for recreational viewing. Deer and elk feeding  
9       does not include any of the following:

1 (a) Baiting to take game as provided by an order of the  
2 commission under section 40113a.

3 (b) The scattering of feed solely as the result of normal  
4 logging practices or normal agricultural practices.

5 (c) The storage or use of feed for agricultural purposes if 1  
6 or more of the following apply:

7 (i) The area is occupied by livestock actively consuming the  
8 feed on a daily basis.

9 (ii) The feed is covered to deter wild, free-ranging white-  
10 tailed deer and elk from gaining access to the feed or is being  
11 used on a daily basis.

12 (iii) The feed is in a storage facility or is stored in a  
13 manner that is consistent with normal agricultural practices.

14 (d) Feeding wild birds or other wildlife if done in such a  
15 manner as to exclude wild, free-ranging white-tailed deer and elk  
16 from gaining access to the feed.

17 ~~—— (3) This section is repealed effective January 1, 2016.~~