

SENATE BILL No. 775

October 25, 2011, Introduced by Senators GREEN, BOOHER, PAVLOV, CASPERSON, PROOS, KOWALL, HILDENBRAND, KAHN and RICHARDVILLE 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 43526 (MCL 324.43526), as amended by 1996 PA
585.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 43526. (1) A person shall not hunt deer during the
2 firearm deer season without purchasing a firearm deer license. The
3 fee for a resident firearm deer license is ~~\$13.00. Beginning in~~
4 ~~1999, the fee for a resident firearm deer license is \$14.00.~~
5 ~~Beginning in 2001, the fee for a resident firearm deer license is~~
6 ~~\$15.00. The fee for a nonresident firearm deer license is \$120.00.~~
7 ~~Beginning in 1999, the fee for a nonresident firearm deer license~~
8 ~~is \$129.00. Beginning in 2001, the fee for a nonresident firearm~~
9 ~~deer license is \$138.00. Where authorized by the department, a~~

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1 resident or nonresident may purchase a second firearm deer license
2 in 1 season for the fee assessed under this subsection for the
3 firearm deer license for which that person is eligible. However, a
4 senior license discount is not available for the purchase of a
5 second firearm deer license. The department may issue orders under
6 part 401 designating the kind of deer that may be taken and the
7 geographic area in which any license issued under this section is
8 valid, when advisable in managing deer.

9 (2) The department may issue a kill tag with or as part of
10 each deer license. The kill tag shall bear the license number. The
11 kill tag may also include space for other pertinent information
12 required by the department. The kill tag, if issued, is part of the
13 license.

14 (3) The department shall charge a nonrefundable application
15 fee not to exceed \$4.00 for each person who applies for an
16 antlerless deer license. Except as otherwise provided in section
17 43521, the fee for a resident antlerless deer license is ~~\$13.00.~~
18 ~~Beginning in 1999, the fee for a resident antlerless deer license~~
19 ~~is \$14.00. Beginning in 2001, the fee for a resident antlerless~~
20 ~~deer license is \$15.00.~~ The fee for a nonresident antlerless deer
21 license is ~~\$120.00.~~ ~~Beginning in 1999, the fee for a nonresident~~
22 ~~antlerless deer license is \$129.00.~~ ~~Beginning in 2001, the fee for~~
23 ~~a nonresident antlerless deer license is \$138.00.~~

24 (4) **A PERSON HUNTING DEER DURING ANY FIREARM DEER SEASON IN**
25 **THE LIMITED FIREARMS AREA MAY ONLY USE THE FOLLOWING FIREARMS:**

26 (A) **A SHOTGUN WITH A SMOOTH OR RIFLED BARREL.**

27 (B) **A .35 CALIBER OR LARGER PISTOL CAPABLE OF HOLDING NO MORE**

1 THAN 9 SHELLS AT 1 TIME IN THE BARREL AND MAGAZINE COMBINED AND
2 LOADED WITH STRAIGHT-WALLED CARTRIDGES.

3 (C) A MUZZLE-LOADING RIFLE OR BLACK-POWDER PISTOL LOADED WITH
4 BLACK-POWDER OR A COMMERCIALY MANUFACTURED BLACK-POWDER
5 SUBSTITUTE.

6 (D) A .35 CALIBER OR LARGER RIFLE LOADED WITH STRAIGHT-WALLED
7 CARTRIDGES WITH A MINIMUM CASE LENGTH OF 1.16 INCHES AND A MAXIMUM
8 CASE LENGTH OF 1.80 INCHES.

9 (5) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "LIMITED FIREARMS AREA" MEANS
10 THAT AREA SOUTH OF A LINE BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE WISCONSIN-
11 MICHIGAN BOUNDARY LINE DIRECTLY WEST OF THE WEST END OF HIGHWAY M-
12 46; THEN EAST TO M-46 AND EAST ALONG M-46 TO ITS JUNCTION WITH
13 FREEWAY US-131; THEN SOUTH ALONG FREEWAY US-131 TO M-57; THEN EAST
14 ALONG M-57 TO ITS INTERSECTION WITH MONTCALM ROAD ON THE KENT-
15 MONTCALM COUNTY LINE; THEN SOUTH ALONG THAT COUNTY LINE AND THE
16 IONIA-KENT COUNTY LINE TO ITS INTERSECTION WITH M-44; THEN EAST
17 ALONG M-44 TO ITS INTERSECTION WITH M-66; THEN NORTH ALONG M-66 TO
18 ITS INTERSECTION WITH M-57; THEN EAST ALONG M-57 TO ITS
19 INTERSECTION WITH M-52; THEN NORTH ALONG M-52 TO ITS INTERSECTION
20 WITH M-46; THEN EAST ALONG M-46 TO ITS INTERSECTION WITH M-47; THEN
21 NORTH ALONG M-47 TO ITS JUNCTION WITH US-10; THEN EAST ALONG US-10
22 TO ITS JUNCTION WITH I-75; THEN NORTH ALONG I-75 AND US-23 TO ITS
23 JUNCTION WITH BEAVER ROAD, KAWKAWLIN TOWNSHIP, BAY COUNTY; THEN
24 EAST ALONG BEAVER ROAD TO SAGINAW BAY; THEN NORTH 50 DEGREES EAST
25 TO THE INTERNATIONAL BOUNDARY WITH CANADA.