HOUSE BILL No. 4422

March 9, 1989, Introduced by Rep. Gire and referred to the Committee on Conservation, Recreation and Environment.

A bill to amend section 8 of Act No. 313 of the Public Acts of 1929, entitled

"An act to provide for the control and eradication of white pine blister rust; to provide for the destruction of trees, plants and bushes infected with white pine blister rust; to authorize the commissioner of agriculture to remove, appraise and pay for healthy host plants necessarily destroyed; to declare certain plants and bushes a public nuisance; to authorize the commissioner to set aside fruiting currant and gooseberry and white pine growing districts as control areas; to provide for co-operation between state departments; to authorize the promulgation of rules and regulations; to provide funds for carrying out the purposes of this act; and to provide penalties for its violation."

being section 286.108 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Section 1. Section 8 of Act No. 313 of the Public Acts of
- 2 1929, being section 286.108 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is
- 3 amended to read as follows:

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- Sec. 8. The commissioner DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 2 AGRICULTURE may -co operate COOPERATE with the United States
- 3 department of agriculture, with the department of -conservation-
- 4 NATURAL RESOURCES, and with counties, townships, associations,
- 5 institutions, and individuals for the suppression and control of
- 6 white pine blister rust. -, and shall carry on such THE DIREC-
- 7 TOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE SHALL CONDUCT investigations
- 8 of the disease and its control as -are-deemed HE OR SHE
- 9 CONSIDERS advisable. by the commissioner. The department of
- 10 -conservation NATURAL RESOURCES shall have control of all state
- 11 owned lands and it shall be its duty to co operate COOPERATE
- 12 with the department of agriculture in the control of the white
- 13 pine blister rust on all state lands, and the expense -so-
- 14 incurred shall be borne by the department of -conservation-
- 15 NATURAL RESOURCES.