

HOUSE BILL No. 6022

September 13, 1990, Introduced by Reps. Pridnia, Middaugh, Bartnik and Strand and referred to the Committee on Forestry and Minerals.

A bill to amend Act No. 17 of the Public Acts of 1921, entitled as amended

"An act to provide for the protection and conservation of the natural resources of the state; to provide and develop facilities for outdoor recreation; to create a conservation department; to define the powers and duties thereof; to provide rules and regulations concerning the use and occupancy of lands and property under its control and penalties for the violation thereof; to provide for the transfer to said department of the powers and duties now vested by law in certain boards, commissions and officers of the state; and for the abolishing of the boards, commissions and offices the powers and duties of which are hereby transferred,"

as amended, being sections 299.1 to 299.10 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, by adding section 3c.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Section 1. Act No. 17 of the Public Acts of 1921, as
2 amended, being sections 299.1 to 299.10 of the Michigan Compiled
3 Laws, is amended by adding section 3c to read as follows:

1 SEC. 3C. (1) WITHIN 5 YEARS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF
2 THIS ACT, THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES SHALL PREPARE A
3 FOREST MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR EACH STATE FOREST, AS DEDICATED BY THE
4 COMMISSION OF NATURAL RESOURCES ON OCTOBER 13, 1978.

5 (2) A FOREST MANAGEMENT PLAN SHALL INCLUDE AT LEAST ALL OF
6 THE FOLLOWING:

7 (A) A DESCRIPTION OF THE HISTORICAL USES OF THE LAND WITHIN
8 THE STATE FOREST.

9 (B) A PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE FOR MANAGEMENT OF
10 THE STATE FOREST.

11 (C) A COMPREHENSIVE INVENTORY OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES
12 WITHIN THE STATE FOREST.

13 (D) AN ANALYSIS OF THE APPROPRIATE USES OF THE STATE FOREST
14 INCLUDING A RATIONALE FOR SUCH DETERMINATIONS.

15 (E) DESIGNATION OF EACH GEOGRAPHICALLY DISTINCT REGION OF
16 THE STATE FOREST AS 1 OF THE FOLLOWING:

17 (i) NATURALISTIC; CHARACTERIZED BY MINIMAL MANAGEMENT OF THE
18 REGION WITH THE OBJECTIVE OF PRESERVING THE REGION IN ITS NATURAL
19 STATE.

20 (ii) RECREATIONAL; CHARACTERIZED BY MANAGEMENT OF THE REGION
21 WITH THE OBJECTIVE OF OPTIMIZING RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES.

22 (iii) HABITAT; CHARACTERIZED BY MANAGEMENT OF THE REGION
23 WITH THE OBJECTIVE OF OPTIMIZING THE PRODUCTION OF TIMBER OR
24 WILDLIFE HABITAT.

25 (iv) MIXED USE; A REGION MANAGED WITH THE OBJECTIVE OF BAL-
26 ANCING A VARIETY OF APPROPRIATE USES.

1 (F) FOR EACH DESIGNATION DESCRIBED IN SUBDIVISION (E)(i) TO
2 (iv), A SPECIFIC MANAGEMENT PLAN APPROPRIATE TO THE PARTICULAR
3 USE.

4 (G) A PROPOSAL FOR FACILITIES DEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE STATE
5 FOREST.

6 (3) A FOREST MANAGEMENT PLAN SHALL BE APPROVED BY THE COM-
7 MISSION OF NATURAL RESOURCES AT A REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF
8 THE COMMISSION.

9 (4) EACH FOREST MANAGEMENT PLAN APPROVED UNDER
10 SUBSECTION (3) SHALL BE REVIEWED BY THE COMMISSION OF NATURAL
11 RESOURCES AT LEAST EVERY 10 YEARS AND UPDATED AS NECESSARY.