

Michigan Bow Hunters

The Voice of Michigan's Hunting Archer.....

Committee: Natural Resources, Environment and Great Lakes

Chairman: Tom Casperson

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Lansing, MI 48933

SUBJECT: HB 5834

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Senator/Chairman Tom Casperson and members of the Senate Committee,

The Michigan Bow Hunters Association strongly supports HB5834 which will define the Gray Wolf in the state of Michigan as a game species open to regulated hunting and trapping opportunities.

As the Gray Wolf population in Michigan has reached beyond the population goals set for their recovery, management of the Gray Wolf must be implemented and a regulated hunting and trapping season must be obtained under Game Management and Conservation Practices based on proven methods.

Conserving the Gray Wolf population at a reasonable number will help prevent excessive wolf prey interactions on game as well as wolf livestock interactions.

Sincerely,

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