



# HOUSE BILL No. 5314

October 25, 1995, Introduced by Rep. Byl and referred to the Committee on Conservation, Environment and Great Lakes.

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 339 of the Public Acts of 1919, entitled "Dog law of 1919," being section 287.261 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1 Section 1. Section 1 of Act No. 339 of the Public Acts of  
2 1919, being section 287.261 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is  
3 amended to read as follows:

4 Sec. 1. (1) This act shall be known and may be cited as  
5 the "dog law of 1919".

6 (2) For the purpose of this act:

7 (a) "Livestock" means horses, stallions, colts, geldings,  
8 mares, sheep, rams, lambs, bulls, bullocks, steers, heifers,  
9 cows, calves, mules, jacks, jennets, burros, goats, kids and  
10 swine, and fur-bearing animals being raised in captivity.

1 (b) "Poultry" means all domestic fowl, ornamental birds, and  
2 game birds possessed or being reared under authority of a  
3 breeder's license pursuant to ~~Act No. 191 of the Public Acts of~~  
4 ~~1929, as amended, being sections 317.71 to 317.84~~ PART 427  
5 (BREEDERS AND DEALERS) OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL  
6 PROTECTION ACT, ACT NO. 451 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1994, BEING  
7 SECTIONS 324.42701 TO 324.42714 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

8 (c) "Owner" when applied to the proprietorship of a dog  
9 means every person having a right of property in the dog, and  
10 every person who keeps or harbors the dog or has it in his care,  
11 and every person who permits the dog to remain on or about any  
12 premises occupied by him.

13 (d) "Kennel" means any establishment wherein or whereon dogs  
14 are kept for the purpose of breeding, sale, or sporting  
15 purposes.

16 (e) "Law enforcement officer" means any person employed or  
17 elected by the people of the state, or by any municipality,  
18 county, or township, whose duty it is to preserve peace or to  
19 make arrests or to enforce the law, and includes conservation  
20 officers and members of the state police.

21 (f) "Hunting" means allowing a dog to range freely within  
22 sight or sound of its owner while in the course of hunting legal  
23 game or an unprotected animal.