

HOUSE BILL No. 6470

September 18, 2008, Introduced by Reps. Lahti, Lindberg, Caswell, Hansen, Gaffney, Hune, McDowell, Gillard, Mayes, Hammon and Booher and referred to the Committee on Tourism, Outdoor Recreation and Natural Resources.

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled
"Natural resources and environmental protection act,"
by amending section 40114 (MCL 324.40114), as amended by 2008 PA
169.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 40114. (1) The department may issue a permit to a person
2 who is unable to walk because the person is a paraplegic or an
3 amputee or because of a disease or injury that has rendered the
4 person permanently disabled. A permit issued under this subsection
5 authorizes the person to take game during the open season for that
6 game, including deer of either sex, from or upon a standing vehicle
7 if that person holds a license to take that game issued pursuant to
8 part 435 and complies with all other laws and rules for the taking

1 of game.

2 (2) The department may issue a permit to a person who is
3 permanently disabled, who has full use of only 1 arm, and who upon
4 investigation is unable to hold, aim, and shoot a bow. A permit
5 issued under this subsection authorizes the person to take game
6 during the open season for that game with a bow that has been
7 modified so that the bow may be held, aimed, and shot with 1 arm,
8 if that person holds a license to take that game issued pursuant to
9 part 435 and complies with all other laws and rules for the taking
10 of game.

11 (3) The commission may issue an order under section 40113a
12 regulating the taking of game with a modified bow that may be shot
13 with 1 arm. Subsection (2) does not apply on or after the effective
14 date of such an order.

15 (4) In addition, the department may issue permits authorizing
16 1 or more of the following:

17 (a) The taking or possession of animals for the purpose of
18 rehabilitating animals.

19 (b) The taking of animals to prevent or control damage and
20 nuisance caused by the animals.

21 (c) The collection, transportation, possession, or disposition
22 of animals and parts of animals for scientific purposes.

23 (d) The public exhibition of animals.

24 (e) Taxidermy.

25 (f) The disposition of accidentally or unlawfully taken or
26 injured animals or animals that are unlawfully possessed.

27 (g) The taking of game with a crossbow by a person who is

1 permanently disabled.

2 **(H) THE TAKING OF GAME WITH A CROSSBOW BY A PERSON WHOSE**
3 **TEMPORARY DISABILITY PREVENTS HIM OR HER FROM USING A BOW.**

4 (5) A permit issued under this section may be suspended,
5 revoked, annulled, withdrawn, recalled, canceled, or amended
6 pursuant to the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306,
7 MCL 24.201 to 24.328. If the holder of a permit is convicted of
8 violating the permit or this section, his or her permit or license
9 may be revoked and any animal and the parts of any animal in his or
10 her possession shall be disposed of in a manner approved by the
11 department. **A PERMIT ISSUED UNDER SUBSECTION (4) (H) SHALL EXPIRE**
12 **WITHIN 1 YEAR FROM THE DATE OF ISSUANCE.**

13 (6) Fees received for permits and licenses issued under this
14 section shall be forwarded by the department to the state treasurer
15 to be credited to the game and fish protection account of the
16 Michigan conservation and recreation legacy fund provided for in
17 section 2010.