

# SENATE BILL No. 16

January 16, 2013, Introduced by Senator WALKER and referred to the Committee on Outdoor Recreation and Tourism.

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 43559 (MCL 324.43559), as amended by 1998 PA 95, and by adding section 1616.

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

1           SEC. 1616. (1) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ENFORCE THE COMPACT AND  
2 SHALL DO ALL THINGS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT'S JURISDICTION THAT ARE  
3 APPROPRIATE IN ORDER TO EFFECTUATE THE PURPOSES AND THE INTENT OF  
4 THE COMPACT.

5           (2) ON BEHALF OF THIS STATE, THE DEPARTMENT MAY DO EITHER OF  
6 THE FOLLOWING:

7           (A) WITHDRAW FROM THE COMPACT UNDER ARTICLE VIII OF THE  
8 COMPACT.

9           (B) ADOPT AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPACT UNDER ARTICLE IX OF THE

1 COMPACT.

2 (3) PURSUANT TO ARTICLE IV(A) OF THE COMPACT, IF THE  
3 DEPARTMENT RECEIVES NOTICE FROM THE LICENSING AUTHORITY OF AN  
4 ISSUING STATE THAT A RESIDENT OF THIS STATE HAS FAILED TO COMPLY  
5 WITH THE TERMS OF A CITATION, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL SUSPEND THE  
6 LICENSE PRIVILEGES OF THE RESIDENT.

7 (4) PURSUANT TO ARTICLE IV(B) OF THE COMPACT, IF THE  
8 DEPARTMENT RECEIVES NOTICE OF CONVICTION OF A RESIDENT OF THIS  
9 STATE FROM THE LICENSING AUTHORITY OF AN ISSUING STATE, THE  
10 DEPARTMENT SHALL SUSPEND THE LICENSE PRIVILEGES OF THE RESIDENT IF  
11 THE CONVICTION WOULD HAVE RESULTED IN MANDATORY SUSPENSION OF THE  
12 LICENSE HAD IT OCCURRED IN THIS STATE. THE DEPARTMENT MAY SUSPEND  
13 THE LICENSE PRIVILEGES IF THE CONVICTION COULD HAVE RESULTED IN  
14 DISCRETIONARY SUSPENSION OF THE LICENSE HAD THE CONVICTION OCCURRED  
15 IN THIS STATE.

16 (5) PURSUANT TO ARTICLE V(A) OF THE COMPACT, IF THE DEPARTMENT  
17 RECEIVES NOTICE OF THE SUSPENSION OF ANY PERSON'S LICENSE  
18 PRIVILEGES BY A PARTICIPATING STATE, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DETERMINE  
19 WHETHER THE VIOLATION LEADING TO THE SUSPENSION WOULD HAVE LED TO  
20 THE SUSPENSION OF LICENSE PRIVILEGES UNDER THIS STATE'S LAW IN  
21 ACCORDANCE WITH THE COMPACT MANUAL. IF THE DEPARTMENT DETERMINES  
22 THAT THE PERSON'S LICENSE PRIVILEGES WOULD HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED, THE  
23 DEPARTMENT MAY SUSPEND THE PERSON'S LICENSE PRIVILEGES FOR THE SAME  
24 PERIOD AS IMPOSED BY THE PARTICIPATING STATE, BUT NOT TO EXCEED THE  
25 MAXIMUM PERIOD ALLOWED BY THE LAW OF THIS STATE.

26 (6) IF THE DEPARTMENT SUSPENDS A PERSON'S LICENSE PRIVILEGES  
27 PURSUANT TO THE COMPACT, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PROVIDE THE PERSON

1 WITH AN OPPORTUNITY FOR AN EVIDENTIARY HEARING UNDER THE  
2 ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT OF 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 TO  
3 24.328, LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING GROUNDS:

4 (A) WHETHER, UNDER ARTICLE IV(A) OF THE COMPACT, THE PERSON  
5 FAILED TO COMPLY WITH THE TERMS OF A CITATION IN ANOTHER  
6 PARTICIPATING STATE.

7 (B) WHETHER, UNDER ARTICLE IV(B) OF THE COMPACT, THERE WAS A  
8 CONVICTION IN ANOTHER PARTICIPATING STATE AND THE CONVICTION WOULD  
9 HAVE LED TO THE SUSPENSION OF LICENSE PRIVILEGES UNDER THIS STATE'S  
10 LAW, THE CONVICTION IS ON APPEAL IN THE PARTICIPATING STATE, OR THE  
11 ALLEGED VIOLATOR IS NOT THE PROPER PARTY.

12 (C) WHETHER, UNDER ARTICLE V OF THE COMPACT, A PARTICIPATING  
13 STATE SUSPENDED THE PERSON'S LICENSE PRIVILEGES AND THE VIOLATION  
14 LEADING TO THE SUSPENSION WOULD HAVE LED TO THE FORFEITURE OF  
15 PRIVILEGES UNDER THIS STATE'S LAW, THE CONVICTION IS ON APPEAL IN  
16 THE PARTICIPATING STATE, OR THE ALLEGED VIOLATOR IS NOT THE PROPER  
17 PARTY.

18 (7) AN EVIDENTIARY HEARING SHALL BE REQUESTED WITHIN 20 DAYS  
19 AFTER THE DEPARTMENT SENDS THE PERSON NOTICE OF THE SUSPENSION. THE  
20 PERSON SHALL SURRENDER TO THE DEPARTMENT ANY LICENSES ISSUED UNDER  
21 PART 435 TO THE PERSON WITHIN 10 DAYS AFTER NOTICE OF THE  
22 SUSPENSION IS SENT. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL, BY FIRST-CLASS MAIL, SEND  
23 TO ANY RESIDENT OF THIS STATE AT HIS OR HER LAST KNOWN ADDRESS  
24 NOTICE OF THE SUSPENSION, OF THE OPPORTUNITY FOR AN EVIDENTIARY  
25 HEARING, AND OF THE OBLIGATION TO SURRENDER LICENSES.

26 (8) A PERSON WHO FAILS TO SURRENDER A LICENSE UNDER SUBSECTION  
27 (7) IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR PUNISHABLE BY IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT

1 MORE THAN 90 DAYS OR A FINE OF NOT LESS THAN \$25.00 OR MORE THAN  
2 \$250.00, OR BOTH.

3 (9) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "COMPACT" MEANS THE INTERSTATE  
4 WILDLIFE VIOLATOR COMPACT PROVIDED FOR IN SECTION 1615. IF A TERM  
5 DEFINED IN ARTICLE II OF THE COMPACT IS USED IN THIS SECTION, THE  
6 DEFINITIONS IN ARTICLE II OF THE COMPACT APPLY TO THAT TERM AS USED  
7 IN THIS SECTION.

8 Sec. 43559. (1) If a person is convicted of violating this  
9 part, or another law relative to hunting, fishing, or trapping that  
10 does not otherwise require the revocation of, or prohibit the  
11 securing of, 1 or more licenses, the court may order the revocation  
12 of 1 or more of the person's licenses and may by order provide that  
13 the person shall not secure 1 or more licenses for not less than  
14 the remainder of the year in which convicted and during the next  
15 succeeding year, or longer in the discretion of the court.

16 (2) The department shall comply with a suspension order issued  
17 as provided in the support and parenting time enforcement act, 1982  
18 PA 295, MCL 552.601 to 552.650, within 7 days after receipt of the  
19 suspension order.

20 (3) An order rescinding a suspension order issued under the  
21 support and parenting time enforcement act, 1982 PA 295, MCL  
22 552.601 to 552.650, is effective upon its entry by the court and  
23 purchase by the licensee of a replacement license.

24 (4) IF A PERSON IS CHARGED WITH, OR CONVICTED OF, A VIOLATION  
25 OF THIS PART, OR ANOTHER LAW RELATIVE TO HUNTING, FISHING, OR  
26 TRAPPING, AND THE PERSON FAILS TO ANSWER A CITATION OR A NOTICE TO  
27 APPEAR IN COURT, OR FOR ANY MATTER PENDING, OR FAILS TO COMPLY WITH

1 AN ORDER OR JUDGMENT OF THE COURT, THE COURT SHALL IMMEDIATELY GIVE  
2 NOTICE BY FIRST-CLASS MAIL SENT TO THE PERSON'S LAST KNOWN ADDRESS  
3 THAT IF THE PERSON FAILS TO APPEAR WITHIN 7 DAYS AFTER THE NOTICE  
4 IS ISSUED, OR FAILS TO COMPLY WITH THE ORDER OR JUDGMENT OF THE  
5 COURT WITHIN 14 DAYS AFTER THE NOTICE IS ISSUED, THE DEPARTMENT  
6 SHALL SUSPEND THE PERSON'S HUNTING, FISHING, AND TRAPPING LICENSES.  
7 IF THE PERSON FAILS TO APPEAR WITHIN THE 7-DAY PERIOD, OR FAILS TO  
8 COMPLY WITH THE ORDER OR JUDGMENT OF THE COURT WITHIN THE 14-DAY  
9 PERIOD, THE COURT SHALL IMMEDIATELY INFORM THE DEPARTMENT. THE  
10 DEPARTMENT SHALL IMMEDIATELY SUSPEND THE PERSON'S HUNTING, FISHING,  
11 AND TRAPPING LICENSES AND NOTIFY THE PERSON OF THE SUSPENSION BY  
12 FIRST-CLASS MAIL SENT TO THE PERSON'S LAST KNOWN ADDRESS.