

**SUBSTITUTE FOR  
HOUSE BILL NO. 4533**

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled  
"Natural resources and environmental protection act,"  
by amending section 43523a (MCL 324.43523a), as amended by 2016 PA  
461.

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

1           Sec. 43523a. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this part, an  
2 individual shall not hunt small game, unless the individual  
3 possesses a current base license. A base license authorizes the  
4 individual named in the license to hunt for small game, except for  
5 animals or birds that require a special license.

6           (2) If authorized in an order issued under part 401, an  
7 individual who possesses a current base license may take specified  
8 fur-bearing animals by means other than trapping during the open  
9 season for hunting these fur-bearing animals. However, an

1 individual who goes on a bobcat hunt with a licensed hunter is not  
2 required to possess a base license if the individual does not carry  
3 a firearm, bow, or crossbow and does not own dogs used to chase or  
4 locate a bobcat during the hunt.

5 (3) The fee for a base license is as follows:

6 (a) Subject to subdivision (b), for a resident, \$10.00.

7 (b) For a resident minor child or nonresident minor child,  
8 \$5.00.

9 (c) Subject to subdivision (b), for a nonresident, \$150.00.

10 (4) A base license is void between the hours of 1/2 hour after  
11 sunset and 1/2 hour before sunrise with the exception of coyote  
12 hunting.

13 (5) A nonresident may purchase a limited nonresident small  
14 game license entitling that individual to hunt for a 7-day period  
15 all species of small game that are available to hunt under a  
16 nonresident base license. The fee for a **7-DAY** limited nonresident  
17 small game license is \$80.00. ~~The~~ **EXCEPT FOR THE PURCHASE OF A**  
18 **WATERFOWL HUNTING LICENSE UNDER SECTION 43525B, THE** purchase of a  
19 7-day limited nonresident small game license does not entitle the  
20 holder to purchase any additional licenses.

21 **(6) BEGINNING MARCH 1, 2018, A NONRESIDENT MAY PURCHASE A 3-**  
22 **DAY LIMITED NONRESIDENT SMALL GAME LICENSE ENTITLING THAT**  
23 **INDIVIDUAL TO HUNT FOR A 3-DAY PERIOD ALL SPECIES OF SMALL GAME**  
24 **THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO HUNT UNDER A NONRESIDENT BASE LICENSE. THE**  
25 **FEE FOR A 3-DAY LIMITED NONRESIDENT SMALL GAME LICENSE IS \$50.00.**  
26 **EXCEPT FOR THE PURCHASE OF A WATERFOWL HUNTING LICENSE ISSUED UNDER**  
27 **SECTION 43525B, THE PURCHASE OF A 3-DAY LIMITED NONRESIDENT SMALL**

1 **GAME LICENSE DOES NOT ENTITLE THE HOLDER TO PURCHASE ANY ADDITIONAL**  
2 **LICENSES.**

3 (7) ~~(6)~~—Not later than March 1, 2018, the department shall  
4 develop an electronic license that allows an individual to display  
5 an electronic copy of his or her base license using an electronic  
6 device.