

HOUSE BILL No. 5359

November 6, 1997, Introduced by Reps. Alley, Middaugh, Gagliardi, Anthony, Prusi, Wetters, Dobronski, Mathieu, Owen, McManus, McNutt, Rhead and Rocca and referred to the Committee on Conservation, Environment and Recreation.

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled
"Natural resources and environmental protection act,"
by amending sections 43524, 43526, 43527, 43535, 43537, and 43546
(MCL 324.43524, 324.43526, 324.43527, 324.43535, 324.43537, and
324.43546), as amended by 1996 PA 585; and to repeal acts and
parts of acts.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 43524. (1) A person shall not hunt wild turkey without
2 a wild turkey hunting license. THE FEE FOR A RESIDENT WILD
3 TURKEY HUNTING LICENSE FOR A SENIOR CITIZEN IS \$1.00. The fee for
4 a resident wild turkey hunting license is \$13.00. Beginning in
5 1999, the fee for a resident wild turkey hunting license is
6 \$14.00. Beginning in 2001, the fee for a resident wild turkey
7 hunting license is \$15.00. The fee for a nonresident wild turkey
8 hunting license is \$60.00. Beginning in 1999, the fee for a

1 nonresident wild turkey hunting license is \$65.00. Beginning in
 2 2001, the fee for a nonresident wild turkey hunting license is
 3 \$69.00. Applications for a wild turkey hunting license shall be
 4 entered into a lottery designed and run by the department. A
 5 person selected in the lottery, upon meeting the requirements of
 6 this part, is authorized to purchase a wild turkey hunting
 7 license. The license shall be issued for a specified hunting
 8 period and shall confer upon the holder of the license the right
 9 to hunt wild turkeys.

10 (2) From the fee collected for each wild turkey hunting
 11 license and application for a license, the following amounts
 12 shall be used for scientific research, biological survey work on
 13 wild turkeys, and wild turkey management in this state:

- 14 (a) Resident wild turkey hunting license....\$ 9.50
- 15 (b) Nonresident wild turkey hunting license.\$50.00
- 16 (c) Senior wild turkey hunting license.....\$ 1.00
- 17 (d) Wild turkey hunting application.....\$ 3.00.

18 (3) The department shall charge a nonrefundable application
 19 fee not to exceed \$4.00 for each person who applies for a wild
 20 turkey hunting license.

21 Sec. 43526. (1) ~~—A—~~ SUBJECT TO SECTION 43535, A person
 22 shall not hunt deer during the firearm deer season without pur-
 23 chasing a firearm deer license. The fee for a resident firearm
 24 deer license is \$13.00. Beginning in 1999, the fee for a resi-
 25 dent firearm deer license is \$14.00. Beginning in 2001, the fee
 26 for a resident firearm deer license is \$15.00. The fee for a
 27 nonresident firearm deer license is \$120.00. Beginning in 1999,

1 the fee for a nonresident firearm deer license is \$129.00.

2 Beginning in 2001, the fee for a nonresident firearm deer license
3 is \$138.00. Where authorized by the department, a resident or

4 nonresident may purchase a second firearm deer license in 1

5 season for the fee assessed under this subsection for the firearm

6 deer license for which that person is eligible. ~~However, a~~

7 ~~senior license discount is not available for the purchase of a~~

8 ~~second firearm deer license.~~ WHERE AUTHORIZED BY THE DEPARTMENT,

9 A SENIOR CITIZEN MAY PURCHASE A FIREARM DEER LICENSE FOR A SECOND

10 DEER IN 1 SEASON FOR THE FEE ASSESSED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION FOR A

11 RESIDENT FIREARM DEER LICENSE. The department may issue orders

12 under part 401 designating the kind of deer that may be taken and

13 the geographic area in which any license issued under this sec-

14 tion is valid, when advisable in managing deer.

15 (2) The department may issue a kill tag with or as part of

16 each deer license. The kill tag shall bear the license number.

17 The kill tag may also include space for other pertinent informa-

18 tion required by the department. The kill tag, if issued, is

19 part of the license.

20 (3) The department shall charge a nonrefundable application

21 fee not to exceed \$4.00 for each person who applies for an ant-

22 lerless deer license. Except as otherwise provided in

23 section 43521, the fee for a resident antlerless deer license is

24 \$13.00. Beginning in 1999, the fee for a resident antlerless

25 deer license is \$14.00. Beginning in 2001, the fee for a resi-

26 dent antlerless deer license is \$15.00. The fee for a

27 nonresident antlerless deer license is \$120.00. Beginning in

1 1999, the fee for a nonresident antlerless deer license is
2 \$129.00. Beginning in 2001, the fee for a nonresident antlerless
3 deer license is \$138.00.

4 Sec. 43527. (1) A person shall not hunt deer with a bow and
5 arrow or crossbow during the bow and arrow deer season without a
6 bow and arrow deer license. The fee for a resident bow and arrow
7 deer license is \$13.00. Beginning in 1999, the fee for a resi-
8 dent bow and arrow deer license is \$14.00. Beginning in 2001,
9 the fee for a resident bow and arrow deer license is \$15.00. The
10 fee for a resident or nonresident who is 12 years of age through
11 16 years of age for a bow and arrow deer license shall be dis-
12 counted 50% from the cost of the resident bow and arrow deer
13 license. The fee for a nonresident bow and arrow deer license is
14 \$120.00. Beginning in 1999, the fee for a nonresident bow and
15 arrow deer license is \$129.00. Beginning in 2001, the fee for a
16 nonresident bow and arrow deer license is \$138.00. Where autho-
17 rized by the department, a person may purchase a second bow and
18 arrow deer license in 1 season for the fee assessed under this
19 subsection for the bow and arrow deer license for which that
20 person is eligible. ~~However, a senior license discount is not~~
21 ~~available for the purchase of a second bow and arrow deer~~
22 ~~license.~~ WHERE AUTHORIZED BY THE DEPARTMENT, A SENIOR CITIZEN
23 MAY PURCHASE A BOW AND ARROW DEER LICENSE FOR A SECOND DEER IN 1
24 SEASON FOR THE FEE ASSESSED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION FOR A RESIDENT
25 BOW AND ARROW DEER LICENSE. The department may issue orders under
26 part 401 designating the kind of deer which may be taken and the

1 geographic area in which any license issued under this section is
2 valid, when advisable in managing deer.

3 (2) The department may issue a kill tag with, or as a part
4 of, each bow and arrow deer license. Section 43526(2) applies
5 with respect to a bow and arrow deer license.

6 Sec. 43535. A ~~resident of this state who is 65 years of~~
7 ~~age or older~~ SENIOR CITIZEN may obtain a COMBINED senior HUNTING
8 AND FISHING LICENSE. THE COMBINED SENIOR HUNTING AND FISHING
9 LICENSE SHALL SERVE AS A COMBINATION small game license, ~~a~~
10 ~~senior~~ firearm deer license, ~~a senior~~ bow and arrow deer
11 license, ~~a senior~~ bear hunting license, ~~a senior wild turkey~~
12 ~~hunting license, or a senior~~ fur harvester's license, AND
13 ALL-SPECIES FISHING LICENSE. The fee for each COMBINED senior
14 license shall be ~~discounted 60% from the fee for the resident~~
15 ~~license.~~ AS FOLLOWS:

16 (A) BEFORE 2000, NO FEE.

17 (B) BEGINNING IN 2000, \$5.00.

18 (C) BEGINNING IN 2005, \$10.00.

19 (D) BEGINNING IN 2010, \$15.00.

20 Sec. 43537. (1) A resident who is declared legally blind is
21 eligible to purchase a senior ~~restricted or senior all-species~~
22 HUNTING AND fishing license. The department may demand proof of
23 blindness. The licensee, when fishing, shall possess proof of
24 blindness and shall furnish the proof upon the request of a peace
25 officer.

26 (2) A resident who has been determined by the United States
27 department of veterans affairs to be permanently and totally

1 disabled and entitled to veteran benefits at the 100% rate, for a
2 disability other than blindness, is eligible to purchase ~~any~~
3 ~~senior hunting license as described in section 43535 or any~~
4 ~~senior fishing license described in section 43536, or both~~ A
5 SENIOR HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSE. The department may demand
6 proof of eligibility under this subsection. The licensee, when
7 hunting or taking aquatic species, shall possess proof of his or
8 her eligibility under this subsection and shall furnish the proof
9 upon the request of a peace officer.

10 (3) The department shall process licenses issued under this
11 section in the same manner as licenses issued to senior citizens
12 for purposes of receiving appropriations from the legislature
13 under section 43546.

14 Sec. 43546. (1) Before June 1 of each year, the department
15 shall determine the total number of senior hunting and fishing
16 licenses issued and the total fees collected the preceding
17 license year. The department shall determine the total fees that
18 would have been collected if those senior citizens had been
19 required to purchase ~~full-price resident hunting and~~ RESIDENT
20 SMALL GAME LICENSES, FIREARM DEER LICENSES, AND RESTRICTED fish-
21 ing licenses during the preceding license year. From this total,
22 the department shall subtract the fees collected from the sale of
23 senior hunting and fishing licenses during the preceding license
24 year. The difference is the amount that would otherwise be
25 collected.

26 (2) The legislature shall annually appropriate from the
27 general fund a sum equal to the fees that would otherwise be

1 collected as determined pursuant to subsection (1). The sum
2 appropriated shall be credited to the game and fish protection
3 fund.

4 Enacting section 1. Section 43536 of the natural resources
5 and environmental protection act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.43536, is
6 repealed.