

HOUSE BILL No. 4871

May 30, 2007, Introduced by Reps. Miller, Bieda, Ebli, Condino, Wojno, Cushingberry and Vagnozzi and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled
"The Michigan penal code,"
(MCL 750.1 to 750.568) by adding section 66.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
11

SEC. 66. (1) AS USED IN THIS SECTION:

(A) "BIRD" MEANS ANY FOWL GROWN FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION.

(B) "FORCE-FEEDING" MEANS TO DELIVER FOOD BY PLACING A TUBE OR
OTHER DEVICE INTO THE ESOPHAGUS OF A BIRD AND INCLUDES ANY OTHER
FEEDING METHOD DESIGNED TO CAUSE THE INGESTION OF AN AMOUNT OF FOOD
BY THE BIRD THAT EXCEEDS THE AMOUNT THAT WOULD BE INGESTED
VOLUNTARILY BY A BIRD OF THAT SPECIES.

(2) A PERSON WHO ENGAGES IN THE FORCE-FEEDING OF A BIRD, OR
WHO DIRECTS AN EMPLOYEE TO ENGAGE IN THE FORCE-FEEDING OF A BIRD,
IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR PUNISHABLE BY A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN
\$1,000.00.

1 (3) A PERSON WHO KNOWINGLY TRADES IN, OR OFFERS TO TRADE IN,
2 PRODUCTS DERIVED FROM FORCE-FEEDING A BIRD IS GUILTY OF A
3 MISDEMEANOR PUNISHABLE BY A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$1,000.00 PER
4 DAY.