

# HOUSE BILL No. 5710

March 23, 1992, Introduced by Reps. Bartnik, Alley, DeMars, Harder, Hoffman, Dobronski, Leland, Weeks, Brackenridge, Bobier, Hoekman, Nye, Bodem, Joe Young, Jr., Martin, Gagliardi, Byrum and Sikkema and referred to the Committee on Tourism, Fisheries and Wildlife.

A bill to amend sections 108, 305, and 314 of Act No. 86 of the Public Acts of 1980, entitled

"The hunting and fishing license act,"

section 305 as amended by Act No. 76 of the Public Acts of 1989 and section 314 as amended by Act No. 63 of the Public Acts of 1986, being sections 316.108, 316.305, and 316.314 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1       Section 1. Sections 108, 305, and 314 of Act No. 86 of the  
2 Public Acts of 1980, section 305 as amended by Act No. 76 of the  
3 Public Acts of 1989 and section 314 as amended by Act No. 63 of  
4 the Public Acts of 1986, being sections 316.108, 316.305, and  
5 316.314 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, are amended to read as  
6 follows:

1       Sec. 108. (1) "Senior citizen" means a resident 65 years of  
2 age or older.

3       (2) "Slingshot" means a Y-shaped device with an elastic  
4 strip attached between the prongs used for projecting a stone or  
5 other object.

6       (3) "Small game" includes all species of protected game  
7 birds, FUR-BEARING ANIMALS, and game animals except bear, deer,  
8 elk, and moose.

9       (4) "Small game season" means that period between September  
10 15 and March 31.

11       Sec. 305. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this act, a  
12 person shall not hunt small game without a current small game  
13 license. Each small game license shall authorize the person  
14 named in the license to hunt for small game except for animals or  
15 birds ~~which~~ THAT require a special license. The fee for a res-  
16 ident small game license shall be ~~\$9.50~~ \$10.00. The fee for a  
17 nonresident small game license shall be \$50.00. The resident  
18 small game license fee for a minor child shall be 1/2 the amount  
19 prescribed in this subsection.

20       (2) A nonresident may purchase a limited small game license  
21 entitling that person to hunt for a 3-day period all species of  
22 small game that are available to hunt under the small game  
23 license. The fee for the limited nonresident small game license  
24 shall be \$20.00.

25       (3) A small game license shall be void between the hours of  
26 sunset and sunrise.

1 (4) A nonresident hunter who legally possesses a nonresident  
2 hunting license may take from this state as open hand baggage the  
3 number of birds and animals ~~which~~ THAT are permitted to be  
4 taken and in the person's possession at any 1 time.

5 (5) Wild turkey may be taken during the open season for wild  
6 turkey with a valid wild turkey hunting license issued under sec-  
7 tion 306. A small game license issued under this section is not  
8 required to take wild turkey.

9 Sec. 314. (1) A person shall not trap ~~or hunt~~ fur-bearing  
10 animals without purchasing and possessing a fur harvester's  
11 license. ~~However, a fur harvester's license is not required to~~  
12 ~~hunt a fur bearing animal if the hunting of that animal is not~~  
13 ~~restricted under this or any other act.~~ The fee for a resident  
14 fur harvester's license shall be \$15.00. The fee for a fur  
15 harvester's license for a resident minor child shall be \$7.50.

16 (2) ~~A~~ THE DEPARTMENT MAY ISSUE A NONRESIDENT FUR  
17 HARVESTER'S LICENSE TO A nonresident of this state ~~may be issued~~  
18 ~~a nonresident fur harvester's license~~ if the state, province, or  
19 country in which the nonresident applicant resides allows resi-  
20 dents of this state to obtain equivalent ~~hunting and~~ trapping  
21 privileges in that state, province, or country. The fee for an  
22 eligible nonresident fur harvester's license shall be \$150.00.  
23 Nonresident fur harvester's licenses shall not be sold or pur-  
24 chased prior to November 15 of each year.

25 (3) A person who holds a fur harvester's license may ~~hunt~~  
26 ~~fur bearing animals during the season open to taking fur bearing~~

1 ~~animals with firearms and may~~ trap fur-bearing animals during  
2 the season open to trapping fur-bearing animals.

3 (4) Ten percent of the license fee for each resident and  
4 nonresident fur harvester's license shall be used for fur  
5 harvesters' education and 8% shall be used for research pertain-  
6 ing to fur-bearing animals.

7 (5) Subsection (4) ~~shall~~ DOES not apply ~~5 years~~ after  
8 ~~the effective date of the 1985 amendatory act that adds this~~  
9 ~~subsection~~ MARCH 27, 1991. At that time, the fees for fur  
10 harvester's licenses shall be credited to the game and fish pro-  
11 tection fund as provided in section 601. However, programs ini-  
12 tiated with funds provided under subsection (4) shall continue to  
13 receive adequate funding from the game and fish protection fund.

14 (6) Subsection (2) ~~shall~~ DOES not apply ~~3 years~~ after  
15 ~~the effective date of the 1985 amendatory act that adds this~~  
16 ~~subsection~~ MARCH 27, 1989. At that time, a nonresident shall  
17 not be issued a nonresident fur harvester's license enabling that  
18 person to trap fur-bearing animals. ~~but may be issued a nonres-~~  
19 ~~ident fur harvester's license enabling that person to hunt~~  
20 ~~fur bearing animals.~~

21 (7) Notwithstanding section 805, a resident who holds a fur  
22 harvester's license may carry a .22 caliber rimfire firearm while  
23 ~~hunting or~~ checking a trap line during the open season for  
24 ~~hunting or~~ trapping fur-bearing animals.