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SUNDAY HUNTING.

House Bill 5915 Sponsor: Rep. Kim Rhead

Committee: Conservation, Environment

and Great Lakes

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5915 AS INTRODUCED 5-29-96

Currently, Act 4 of the Local Acts of 1929 prohibits hunting game on Sundays in Sanilac County. House Bill 5915 would amend the local act to exempt from the Sunday prohibition a person hunting on lands owned or leased by himself or herself or on state-owned land on which hunting is authorized. The bill could not take effect unless it was submitted to a vote and ratified by a majority of the electors in the county. The question would have to be submitted to county voters at the next general election, notice would have to be given as required by law for elections for county officers, and the question would have to be phrased as specified in the bill. The board of canvassers would have to canvass the vote's results, and the bill's provisions would take effect 10 days after election results had been certified.

(Note: Article IV, section 29 of the state constitution says that a local act cannot take effect unless approved by two-thirds of the members elected to and serving in each house, and by a majority of electors voting on a referendum on the issue in the district affected. The constitution further provides that in order to repeal a local act, legislation that would do so must be approved by only a majority of the members in each house and not by voters in the district.)

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