

**SENATE BILL NO. 180**

January 28, 1999, Introduced by Senators MC MANUS, KOIVISTO, NORTH, GOUGEON, BENNETT, BYRUM, STILLE and SCHWARZ and referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs.

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending sections 43902 and 43905 (MCL 324.43902 and 324.43905), as added by 1995 PA 57.

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

1       Sec. 43902. (1) The nongame fish and wildlife trust fund is  
2 created in the state treasury. The trust fund shall consist of  
3 all money credited to the trust fund pursuant to section 439 of  
4 the income tax act of 1967, ~~Act No. 281 of the Public Acts of~~  
5 ~~1967, being section 206.439 of the Michigan Compiled Laws~~ 1967  
6 PA 281, MCL 206.439, AND SECTION 811D OF THE MICHIGAN VEHICLE  
7 CODE, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.811D, and any interest and earnings  
8 accruing from the saving and investment of that money.  
9       (2) The trust fund may receive appropriations, money, or  
10 other things of value.

1 (3) The state treasurer shall direct the investment of the  
2 trust fund.

3 Sec. 43905. The department shall do all of the following:

4 (a) Develop long-range nongame wildlife plans.

5 (b) Provide information to the public about the value of  
6 nongame fish and wildlife and their habitats.

7 (c) Review and develop proposals for projects to implement  
8 the long-range management plan.

9 (d) Determine the interests and opinions of the public in  
10 managing nongame fish and wildlife.

11 (e) Encourage public involvement by offering projects and  
12 activities with which the public can become involved to increase  
13 their knowledge and understanding of nongame fish and wildlife  
14 resources in this state.

15 (f) Integrate the nongame fish and wildlife program with  
16 other department programs that affect or benefit nongame fish and  
17 wildlife or their habitats.

18 (G) PURCHASE AND DEVELOP CRITICAL WILDLIFE HABITATS IN THIS  
19 STATE.

20 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take  
21 effect unless Senate Bill No. 179

22 of the 90th Legislature is enacted into  
23 law.