

SUBSTITUTE FOR  
HOUSE BILL NO. 4914

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled  
"Natural resources and environmental protection act,"  
(MCL 324.101 to 324.90106) by adding section 80124a.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1       Sec. 80124a. (1) Subject to subsection (4), the secretary  
2 of state shall make available for purchase an annual Great Lakes  
3 protection specialty watercraft decal. The Great Lakes  
4 protection specialty watercraft decal shall be designed by the  
5 secretary of state and shall depict some aspect of the Great  
6 Lakes or of Great Lakes water quality. The secretary of state  
7 shall make the Great Lakes protection specialty watercraft decal  
8 available for purchase when a person purchases a decal under  
9 section 80124 and at other times as determined by the secretary  
10 of state.

11       (2) The Great Lakes protection specialty watercraft decal

1 shall be sold for \$35.00. Money received by the secretary of  
2 state from the sale of each Great Lakes protection specialty  
3 watercraft decal shall be used as follows:

4 (a) \$10.00 shall be retained by the secretary of state for  
5 use in creating and distributing the decal.

6 (b) \$25.00 shall be forwarded to the state treasurer for  
7 deposit into the Michigan Great Lakes protection fund to be used  
8 for research on aquatic nuisance species, for public education of  
9 the threat of aquatic nuisance species, and for efforts to  
10 eradicate aquatic nuisance species from the Great Lakes and other  
11 waters of the state.

12 (3) The secretary of state may establish the appropriate  
13 placement of Great Lakes protection specialty watercraft decals  
14 on watercraft so as not to create confusion for law enforcement  
15 officers with decals required under section 80124.

16 (4) The secretary of state shall discontinue sales of Great  
17 Lakes protection specialty watercraft decals under subsection (1)  
18 if the secretary of state is unable to sell at least 2,000 decals  
19 in the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005 and at least 500  
20 decals in each fiscal year thereafter.

21 (5) As used in this section:

22 (a) "Aquatic nuisance species" means that term as it is  
23 defined in section 3101.

24 (b) "Michigan Great Lakes protection fund" means the Michigan  
25 Great Lakes protection fund created in section 32905.