SENATE BILL No. 926

January 22, 2004, Introduced by Senators McMANUS and JELINEK 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 section 40111a (MCL 324.40111a), as added by 1999 PA
66; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 40111a. (1) By September 1, 1999, the commission,
- 2 after consultation with the commission of agriculture, shall
- 3 issue in the manner provided in section 40113a an order
- 4 concerning deer and elk feeding. The order shall take effect
- 5 October 1, 1999 and shall do all of the following in the lower
- 6 peninsula:
 - (a) Prohibit a person from engaging in deer or elk feeding
- 8 unless the deer or elk feeding is for recreational viewing
- 9 purposes.
 - (b) Require that the feed be deposited or distributed not

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- 1 more than 100 yards from the residence of the person engaged in
- 2 deer or elk feeding for recreational viewing purposes on land
- 3 owned or possessed by that person.
- 4 (c) Establish any other reasonable conditions for deer and
- 5 elk feeding for recreational viewing purposes that are consistent
- 6 with the requirements of this section.
- 7 (2) The order <u>shall</u> issued under subsection (1) shall also
- 8 establish criteria for deer feeding in the Upper Peninsula.
- 9 (3) Notwithstanding subsections (1) and (2), the commission,
- 10 after consultation with the commission of agriculture, may issue
- 11 in the manner provided in section 40113a an order that prohibits
- 12 all deer and elk feeding in all or part of this state if the
- 13 commission considers the prohibition to be necessary to properly
- 14 manage wildlife populations or to control or eradicate disease.
- 15 (4) An order under this part concerning baiting to take deer
- 16 or elk or concerning deer or elk feeding shall not -, after the
- 17 date 3 years after the effective date of this section, make a
- 18 distinction between the depositing or distributing of feed by
- 19 hand and the depositing or distributing of feed by a mechanical
- 20 device, whether the mechanical device is operated by human power
- 21 or otherwise.
- 22 (5) This section is repealed effective January 1, 2010.
- 23 Enacting section 1. Enacting section 1 of 2000 PA 191 is
- 24 repealed.

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