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**STATE OF MICHIGAN
92ND LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION OF 2004**

Introduced by Senators McManus and Jelinek

ENROLLED SENATE BILL No. 927

AN ACT to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "An act to protect the environment and natural resources of the state; to codify, revise, consolidate, and classify laws relating to the environment and natural resources of the state; to regulate the discharge of certain substances into the environment; to regulate the use of certain lands, waters, and other natural resources of the state; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies and officials; to provide for certain charges, fees, and assessments; to provide certain appropriations; to prescribe penalties and provide remedies; to repeal certain parts of this act on a specific date; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts," by amending section 43705 (MCL 324.43705), as added by 2001 PA 50.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

Sec. 43705. (1) A joint legislative work group on game and fish program revenue is established.

(2) The work group shall consist of representatives of the house and senate standing committees with primary responsibility for natural resources issues and the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on natural resources. Members shall be appointed on a bipartisan basis by the speaker of the house of representatives and the senate majority leader. The work group shall also include representatives of the natural resources commission and other interested parties.

(3) The members first appointed to the work group shall be appointed within 30 days after the effective date of the 2004 amendatory act that amended this section.

(4) Each member of the work group shall serve at the pleasure of the speaker of the house of representatives or the senate majority leader, whichever appointed the member.

(5) If a vacancy occurs on the work group, the vacancy shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment was made.

(6) The first meeting of the work group shall be called by the senate majority leader. At the first meeting, the work group shall elect from among its members a chairperson and other officers as it considers necessary or appropriate. After the first meeting, the work group shall meet at least quarterly, or more frequently at the call of the chairperson or if requested by 2 or more members.

(7) A majority of the members of the work group constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at a meeting of the work group. A majority of the members present and serving are required for official action of the work group.

(8) Members of the work group shall serve without compensation. However, members of the work group may be reimbursed for their actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties as members of the work group.

(9) Assistance and staff support to the work group may be provided by the house and senate fiscal agencies.

(10) By December 31, 2004, and annually thereafter, the work group shall issue to the members of the legislature a report on game and fish program revenue. The report shall include, but need not be limited to, tax credit issues and alternative funding options to establish stable sources of long-term financial support for game and fish protection programs.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

Carol Morey Viventi

Secretary of the Senate

Gay E. Randall

Clerk of the House of Representatives

Approved

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Governor