HOUSE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 354

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," (MCL 324.101 to 324.90106) by adding section 40107c.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 SEC. 40107C. (1) TO REDUCE CORMORANT DAMAGE, THE DEPARTMENT
- 2 SHALL ADMINISTER A PROGRAM TO CONTROL AND MANAGE DOUBLE-CRESTED
- 3 CORMORANTS. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADMINISTER THE PROGRAM IN
- 4 COOPERATION WITH FEDERAL AGENCIES AND IN A MANNER THAT COMPLIES
- 5 WITH THE CORMORANT DEPREDATION ORDER.
- 6 (2) IN CONSULTATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL
- 7 QUALITY, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PARTICIPATE IN A FEDERALLY RECOGNIZED
- 8 ORGANIZATION OF STATES, SUCH AS THE MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY COUNCIL, TO
- 9 COORDINATE A REGIONAL EFFORT TO REDUCE CORMORANT DAMAGE THAT

- 1 INCLUDES URGING THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO DO BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 2 (A) EXPAND STATE OPTIONS FOR DOUBLE-CRESTED CORMORANT CONTROL
- 3 BY REVISING THE CORMORANT DEPREDATION ORDER.
- 4 (B) SEEK TO AMEND THE MIGRATORY BIRD CONVENTION WITH MEXICO TO
- 5 DESIGNATE THE DOUBLE-CRESTED CORMORANT AS A GAME SPECIES.
- 6 (3) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL SEEK FUNDING FROM THE GREAT LAKES
- 7 PROTECTION FUND AUTHORIZED UNDER PART 331 FOR DEPOSIT IN THE
- 8 CORMORANT CONTROL FUND CREATED IN SECTION 40107D.
- 9 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
- 10 unless all of the following bills of the 94th Legislature are
- 11 enacted into law:
- 12 (a) House Bill No. 4471.
- 13 (b) House Bill No. 4614.