

HOUSE BILL No. 4624

April 19, 2007, Introduced by Rep. Gillard and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled
"Natural resources and environmental protection act,"
by amending sections 43521, 43523, 43524, 43525, 43525a, 43526,
43527, 43528, 43529, 43530, 43531, and 43535 (MCL 324.43521,
324.43523, 324.43524, 324.43525, 324.43525a, 324.43526,
324.43527, 324.43528, 324.43529, 324.43530, 324.43531, and
324.43535), sections 43521, 43526, 43528, 43529, 43531, and 43535
as amended by 1996 PA 585, sections 43523, 43525, 43525a, and
43527 as amended by 2006 PA 280, section 43524 as amended by 2002
PA 81, and section 43530 as amended by 2001 PA 23; and to repeal
acts and parts of acts.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 43521. (1) Notwithstanding any other ~~section~~ **PROVISION**
2 of this part, the ~~department~~ **COMMISSION, BY ORDER ISSUED IN THE**

1 MANNER PROVIDED IN SECTION 40113A, may discount the price of a
2 license. ~~for the following purposes:~~

3 ~~—— (a) For marketing purposes to increase participation in~~
4 ~~hunting and fishing activities. The price of a license shall not~~
5 ~~be discounted more than 15% for marketing purposes.~~

6 ~~—— (b) The price of the antlerless deer license may be reduced~~
7 ~~or eliminated in specific areas to help achieve the harvest of~~
8 ~~antlerless deer.~~

9 ~~—— (c) If a person purchases 4 or more licenses for the same~~
10 ~~person at the same time, a sportsperson discount of 15% shall be~~
11 ~~provided. Waterfowl hunting licenses and limited fishing licenses~~
12 ~~are not eligible for the sportsperson discount.~~

13 (2) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (4), BEGINNING MARCH 1, 2012, THE
14 FEES UNDER THIS PART ARE INCREASED 5% OVER THE FEES SPECIFIED IN
15 THIS PART FOR 2010.

16 (3) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (4), BEGINNING MARCH 1, 2013, THE
17 FEES UNDER THIS PART ARE INCREASED 5% OVER THE FEES PROVIDED FOR
18 IN SUBSECTION (2).

19 (4) SUBSECTIONS (2) AND (3) DO NOT APPLY TO FEES FOR
20 LICENSES DESCRIBED IN THIS PART AS NONRESIDENT LICENSES OR TO
21 FEES FOR SENIOR CITIZEN LICENSES UNDER SECTION 43533. IF A FEE
22 UNDER THIS PART IS EXPRESSED AS A PERCENTAGE OF ANOTHER FEE,
23 SUBSECTIONS (2) AND (3) DO NOT INCREASE THE PERCENTAGE.

24 Sec. 43523. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this part, a
25 person shall not hunt small game without a current small game
26 license. Each small game license authorizes the person named in
27 the license to hunt for small game except for animals or birds

that require a special license. If authorized in an order issued under part 401, a ~~resident~~ **PERSON** possessing a current small game license may take specified fur-bearing animals by means other than trapping during the open season for hunting these fur-bearing animals. The fee for a small game license is as follows:

(a) ~~Subject to~~ **EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN** subdivision (b), for a resident: ~~7, \$15.00.~~

(i) IN 2007, \$16.25.

(ii) IN 2008, \$17.50.

(iii) IN 2009, \$18.75.

(iv) BEGINNING IN 2010, \$20.00.

(b) For a ~~resident or nonresident~~ minor child, ~~\$1.00~~ **50% OF THE FEE FOR A RESIDENT SMALL GAME LICENSE, ROUNDED TO THE NEAREST 25 CENTS.**

(c) ~~Subject to~~ **EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN** subdivision (b), for a nonresident, ~~\$69.00~~ **\$100.00**. However, a nonresident may purchase a limited nonresident small game license entitling that person to hunt for a 3-day period all species of small game that are available to hunt under a nonresident small game license. The fee for a limited nonresident small game license is ~~\$30.00~~ **\$40.00**.

(2) A small game license is void between the hours of 1/2 hour after sunset and 1/2 hour before sunrise.

Sec. 43524. (1) A person shall not hunt wild turkey without a **CURRENT** wild turkey hunting license. **THE LICENSE SHALL BE ISSUED FOR A SPECIFIED HUNTING PERIOD.**

(2) The fee for a ~~resident~~ wild turkey hunting license is ~~\$15.00~~. The fee for a ~~nonresident~~ wild turkey hunting license is

1 ~~\$69.00.~~ **AS FOLLOWS:**

2 (A) **FOR A RESIDENT:**

3 (i) **IN 2007, \$18.75.**

4 (ii) **IN 2008, \$22.50.**

5 (iii) **IN 2009, \$26.25.**

6 (iv) **BEGINNING IN 2010, \$30.00.**

7 (B) **FOR A NONRESIDENT, \$140.00.**

8 (3) Subject to the requirements of section 40113a, the
 9 commission may issue an order requiring that all applications for
 10 wild turkey hunting licenses, or applications for wild turkey
 11 hunting licenses for certain geographic areas, be entered into a
 12 lottery designed and run by the department. A person selected in
 13 a lottery, upon meeting the requirements of this part, is
 14 authorized to purchase a wild turkey hunting license. ~~The license~~
 15 ~~shall be issued for a specified hunting period and shall confer~~
 16 ~~upon the holder of the license the right to hunt wild turkeys.~~

17 ~~——(2) The department may charge a nonrefundable application~~
 18 ~~fee not to exceed \$4.00—\$5.00 for each application for a wild~~
 19 ~~turkey hunting license that is entered into a lottery pursuant to~~
 20 **THIS** subsection. ~~(1).~~

21 (4) ~~(3) From fees collected under subsection (1) or (2) THIS~~
 22 **SECTION**, the following amounts shall be used for scientific
 23 research, biological survey work on wild turkeys, and wild turkey
 24 management in this state:

25 (a) Resident wild turkey hunting license..... \$ 9.50

26 (b) Nonresident wild turkey hunting license..... \$50.00

- (c) Senior wild turkey hunting license..... \$ 1.00
- (d) Wild turkey hunting application..... amount of appli-
cation fee, if
any, but not more
than \$ 3.00.

Sec. 43525. (1) A person 16 years of age or older shall not hunt waterfowl without a current waterfowl hunting license issued by this state. The annual license requirement is in addition to the requirements for a small game license and federal migratory bird hunting stamp. The fee for the waterfowl hunting license is ~~\$5.00.~~ **AS FOLLOWS:**

- (A) IN 2007, \$6.25.
- (B) IN 2008, \$7.50.
- (C) IN 2009, \$8.75.
- (D) BEGINNING IN 2010, \$10.00.

(2) If issued as a stamp, a waterfowl hunting license shall be affixed to the small game license of the person and signed across the face of the stamp by the person to whom it is issued.

(3) A collector may purchase a waterfowl hunting license, if it is issued as a stamp, without being required to place it on a small game license, sign across its face, or provide proof of competency under section 43520(2). However, a license described in this subsection is not valid for hunting waterfowl.

(4) A person shall not hunt waterfowl, or deer if deer hunting is regulated by permit, in an area designated by the department as a managed waterfowl area, without an annual or daily managed waterfowl area permit and any other license or

1 permit required by this part.

2 (5) The fee for a daily managed waterfowl area permit is

3 ~~\$4.00.~~ **AS FOLLOWS:**

4 (A) IN 2007, \$4.75.

5 (B) IN 2008, \$5.50.

6 (C) IN 2009, \$6.25.

7 (D) BEGINNING IN 2010, \$7.00.

8 (6) The fee for an annual managed waterfowl area permit is

9 ~~\$13.00.~~ **AS FOLLOWS:**

10 (A) IN 2007, \$14.75.

11 (B) IN 2008, \$16.50.

12 (C) IN 2009, \$18.25.

13 (D) BEGINNING IN 2010, \$20.00.

14 (7) ~~(5)~~ Following a lottery among applicants for hunting
15 privileges in managed waterfowl areas, only those successful
16 applicants who accept the hunting privileges are required to
17 purchase a daily or annual managed waterfowl area permit.

18 (8) ~~(6)~~ From the fee collected for each waterfowl hunting
19 license, \$3.50 shall be used to acquire wetlands and other lands
20 to be managed for the benefit of waterfowl.

21 (9) ~~(7)~~ The following amounts from the fee collected for
22 each annual or daily managed waterfowl area permit sold shall be
23 used to operate, maintain, and develop managed waterfowl areas in
24 this state:

25 (a) Daily managed waterfowl area permit..... \$ 3.00.

26 (b) Annual managed waterfowl area permit..... \$10.00.

(10) ~~(8)~~—The department shall charge a nonrefundable application fee not to exceed ~~\$4.00~~ **\$5.00** for each ~~person who~~ **APPLIES** for a permit to hunt **IN A RESERVED DRAWING HUNT** in a managed waterfowl area.

Sec. 43525a. (1) The department shall issue a combination deer license that authorizes a person to hunt deer both during the firearm deer seasons and the bow and arrow seasons, in compliance with the rules established for the respective deer hunting season. A combination deer license shall authorize the holder to take 2 deer in compliance with orders issued under part 401.

(2) The fee for a resident combination deer license is the total of the resident firearm deer license fee plus the **FEE FOR A SECOND** resident bow and arrow deer license. ~~fee.—The fee for a nonresident combination deer license is the total of the nonresident firearm deer license fee plus the nonresident bow and arrow deer license fee. However, the fee for a combination deer license for a resident or nonresident minor child shall be discounted 50% from the cost of the resident combination deer license—~~**IS 50% OF THE SUM OF THE RESIDENT FIREARM DEER LICENSE FEE PLUS THE RESIDENT BOW AND ARROW DEER LICENSE FEE, ROUNDED TO THE NEAREST 25 CENTS.**

(3) If advisable in managing deer, an order under part 401 may designate the kind of deer that may be taken and the geographic area in which any license issued under this section is valid.

(4) The department may issue kill tags with or as part of each combination deer license. Each kill tag shall bear the license number. A kill tag may also include space for other pertinent information required by the department. A kill tag, if issued, is part of the license and shall not be used more than 1 time.

(5) The combination deer license shall count as 2 licenses for the purposes of license fees under section 43536a ~~7~~ ~~discounting under subsection 43521(e),~~ and **THE** transmittal, deposit, and use of fees under sections 43554 and 43555.

(6) A senior citizen may obtain a senior combination deer license. The fee for a senior combination deer license ~~shall be discounted at the same rate~~ **IS A PERCENTAGE**, as provided in section 43535, **OF THE SUM OF THE RESIDENT FIREARM DEER LICENSE FEE PLUS THE RESIDENT BOW AND ARROW DEER LICENSE FEE, ROUNDED TO THE NEAREST 25 CENTS.**

(7) A combination deer license issued to a person less than 12 years of age is valid only for taking deer with a bow and arrow, until the person is 12 years of age or older.

(8) Notwithstanding any other provision of this part, except for replacing lost or destroyed licenses, a person shall not apply for, obtain, or purchase any combination of firearm deer licenses, bow and arrow deer licenses, and combination deer licenses that would authorize the taking of more than 2 deer.

Sec. 43526. (1) A person shall not hunt deer during the firearm deer season without ~~purchasing a~~ **CURRENT** firearm deer license. The fee for a ~~resident~~ firearm deer license is ~~\$13.00.~~

~~Beginning in 1999, the fee for a resident firearm deer license is \$14.00. Beginning in 2001, the fee for a resident firearm deer license is \$15.00. The fee for a nonresident firearm deer license is \$120.00. Beginning in 1999, the fee for a nonresident firearm deer license is \$129.00. Beginning in 2001, the fee for a nonresident firearm deer license is \$138.00.~~ **AS FOLLOWS:**

(A) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBDIVISION (B), FOR A RESIDENT:

(i) IN 2007, \$18.75.

(ii) IN 2008, \$22.50.

(iii) IN 2009, \$26.25.

(iv) BEGINNING IN 2010, \$30.00.

(B) FOR A MINOR CHILD, 50% OF THE FEE FOR A RESIDENT FIREARM DEER LICENSE, ROUNDED TO THE NEAREST 25 CENTS.

(C) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBDIVISION (B), FOR A NONRESIDENT, \$165.00.

(2) Where authorized by the department, a resident or nonresident may purchase a second firearm deer license in 1 season. ~~for the fee assessed under this subsection for the firearm deer license for which that person is eligible. However,~~ a senior license discount is not available for the purchase of a second firearm deer license. **THE FEE FOR A SECOND FIREARM DEER LICENSE IS AS FOLLOWS:**

(A) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBDIVISION (B), FOR A RESIDENT:

(i) IN 2007, \$22.50.

(ii) IN 2008, \$30.00.

(iii) IN 2009, \$37.50.

(iv) IN 2010, \$45.00.

1 (B) FOR A MINOR CHILD, 50% OF THE FEE FOR A RESIDENT FIREARM
2 DEER LICENSE, ROUNDED TO THE NEAREST 25 CENTS.

3 (C) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBDIVISION (B), FOR A
4 NONRESIDENT, \$165.00.

5 (3) The department may issue orders under part 401
6 designating the kind of deer that may be taken and the geographic
7 area in which any license issued under this section is valid,
8 when advisable in managing deer.

9 (4) ~~(2)~~—The department may issue a kill tag with or as part
10 of each deer license. The kill tag shall bear the license number.
11 The kill tag may also include space for other pertinent
12 information required by the department. The kill tag, if issued,
13 is part of the license.

14 (5) ~~(3)~~—The department shall charge a nonrefundable
15 application fee not to exceed ~~\$4.00~~ **\$5.00** for each person who
16 applies for an antlerless deer license. ~~Except as otherwise~~
17 ~~provided in section 43521, the~~ **THE** fee for a ~~resident~~ **AN**
18 antlerless deer license is \$13.00. ~~Beginning in 1999, the fee for~~
19 ~~a resident antlerless deer license is \$14.00. Beginning in 2001,~~
20 ~~the fee for a resident antlerless deer license is \$15.00. The fee~~
21 ~~for a nonresident antlerless deer license is \$120.00. Beginning~~
22 ~~in 1999, the fee for a nonresident antlerless deer license is~~
23 ~~\$129.00. Beginning in 2001, the fee for a nonresident antlerless~~
24 ~~deer license is \$138.00.~~ **AS FOLLOWS:**

25 (A) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBDIVISION (B), FOR A RESIDENT:

26 (i) IN 2007, \$18.75.

27 (ii) IN 2008, \$22.50.

1 (iii) IN 2009, \$26.25.

2 (iv) BEGINNING IN 2010, \$30.00.

3 (B) FOR A MINOR CHILD, 50% OF THE FEE FOR A RESIDENT
4 ANTLERLESS DEER LICENSE, ROUNDED TO THE NEAREST 25 CENTS.

5 (C) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBDIVISION (B), FOR A
6 NONRESIDENT, \$100.00.

7 Sec. 43527. (1) A person shall not hunt deer with a bow and
8 arrow or crossbow during the bow and arrow deer season without a
9 **CURRENT** bow and arrow deer license. The fee for a ~~resident bow~~
10 ~~and arrow deer license is \$15.00. The fee for a resident or~~
11 ~~nonresident minor child for a bow and arrow deer license shall be~~
12 ~~discounted 50% from the cost of the resident bow and arrow deer~~
13 ~~license. The fee for a nonresident bow and arrow deer license is~~
14 ~~\$138.00.~~ **AS FOLLOWS:**

15 (A) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBDIVISION (B), FOR A RESIDENT:

16 (i) IN 2007, \$18.75.

17 (ii) IN 2008, \$22.50.

18 (iii) IN 2009, \$26.25.

19 (iv) BEGINNING IN 2010, \$30.00.

20 (B) FOR A MINOR CHILD, 50% OF THE FEE FOR A RESIDENT BOW AND
21 ARROW DEER LICENSE, ROUNDED TO THE NEAREST 25 CENTS.

22 (C) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBDIVISION (B), FOR A
23 NONRESIDENT, \$165.00.

24 (2) Where authorized by the department, a person may
25 purchase a second bow and arrow deer license in 1 season. ~~for the~~
26 ~~fee assessed under subsection (1) for the bow and arrow deer~~
27 ~~license for which that person is eligible. However, a~~ **A** senior

license discount is not available for the purchase of a second bow and arrow deer license. **THE FEE FOR A SECOND BOW AND ARROW DEER LICENSE IS AS FOLLOWS:**

(A) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBDIVISION (B), FOR A RESIDENT:

(i) IN 2007, \$22.50.

(ii) IN 2008, \$30.00.

(iii) IN 2009, \$37.50.

(iv) BEGINNING IN 2010, \$45.00.

(B) FOR A MINOR CHILD, 50% OF THE FEE FOR A RESIDENT BOW AND ARROW DEER LICENSE FEE, ROUNDED TO THE NEAREST 25 CENTS.

(C) SUBJECT TO SUBDIVISION (B), FOR A NONRESIDENT, \$165.00.

(3) The department may issue orders under part 401 designating the kind of deer that may be taken and the geographic area in which any license issued under this section is valid, if advisable in managing deer.

(4) ~~(3)~~ The department may issue a kill tag with, or as a part of, each bow and arrow deer license. Section ~~43526(2)~~ 43526(4) applies with respect to a bow and arrow deer license.

Sec. 43528. (1) A person shall not hunt bear without a **CURRENT** bear hunting license. The fee for a ~~resident~~ bear hunting license is ~~\$13.00. Beginning in 1999, the fee for a resident bear hunting license is \$14.00. Beginning in 2001, the fee for a resident bear hunting license is \$15.00. The fee for a nonresident bear hunting license is \$150.00.~~ **AS FOLLOWS:**

(A) FOR A RESIDENT:

(i) IN 2007, \$23.75.

(ii) IN 2008, \$32.50.

1 (iii) IN 2009, \$41.25.

2 (iv) BEGINNING IN 2010, \$50.00.

3 (B) FOR A NONRESIDENT, \$300.00.

4 (2) The department may issue a tag with, or as a part of, a
5 bear hunting license. Section ~~43526(2)~~**43526(4)** applies with
6 respect to a bear hunting license.

7 (3) In addition to the license fees in subsection (1), the
8 department shall charge a nonrefundable application fee not to
9 exceed ~~\$4.00~~**\$5.00** for each person who applies for a bear hunting
10 license.

11 Sec. 43529. (1) A ~~resident~~**PERSON** shall not hunt elk during
12 the elk season without ~~an~~**A CURRENT** elk hunting license, **WHICH**
13 **SHALL BE ISSUED ONLY TO A RESIDENT**. The fee for an elk hunting
14 license is ~~\$100.00~~**AS FOLLOWS:**

15 (A) IN 2007, \$125.00.

16 (B) IN 2008, \$150.00.

17 (C) IN 2009, \$175.00.

18 (D) BEGINNING IN 2010, \$200.00.

19 (2) The department may establish a nonrefundable application
20 fee not to exceed ~~\$4.00~~**\$5.00** for each person who applies for an
21 elk hunting license.

22 (3) ~~(2)~~The department may issue a kill tag with, or as a
23 part of, an elk hunting license. Section ~~43526(2)~~**43526(4)**
24 applies with respect to an elk hunting license.

25 Sec. 43530. (1) A person shall not hunt small game on game
26 bird hunting preserves licensed under part 417 without a **CURRENT**
27 small game license as provided in section 43523 ~~—However,~~

~~instead of a small game license, a person may obtain a special OR~~
~~A game bird hunting preserve license. for a fee of \$15.00. THE~~
FEE FOR A GAME BIRD HUNTING PRESERVE LICENSE IS AS FOLLOWS:

(A) IN 2007, \$16.25.

(B) IN 2008, \$17.50.

(C) IN 2009, \$18.75.

(D) BEGINNING IN 2010, \$20.00.

(2) Each game bird hunting preserve license shall ~~have~~
SPECIFY the date of issue ~~affixed to the license and shall~~
authorize the holder to hunt only on licensed game bird hunting
preserves and only for **CAPTIVE-REARED GAME BIRD** species for which
the game bird hunting preserve is licensed.

Sec. 43531. (1) Except as otherwise provided in section
43523(1), a person shall not trap or hunt fur-bearing animals
without purchasing and possessing a fur harvester's license. The
fee for a resident fur harvester's license is ~~\$13.00. Beginning~~
~~in 1999, the fee for a resident fur harvester's license is~~
~~\$14.00. Beginning in 2001, the fee for a resident fur harvester's~~
~~license is \$15.00. The fee for~~ **AS FOLLOWS:**

(A) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBDIVISION (B), FOR A RESIDENT:

(i) IN 2007, \$16.25.

(ii) IN 2008, \$17.50.

(iii) IN 2009, \$18.75.

(iv) BEGINNING IN 2010, \$20.00.

(B) ~~FOR a resident or nonresident PERSON who is 12 years of~~
~~age through 16 years of age, for a fur harvester's license shall~~
~~be discounted 50% from the cost~~ **50%** of the **FEE FOR A** resident fur

1 harvester's license, **ROUNDED TO THE NEAREST 25 CENTS.**

2 **(C) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBDIVISION (B) AND SUBJECT TO**
3 **THIS SUBDIVISION, FOR A NONRESIDENT, \$200.00.**

4 ~~——(2)The department may issue a nonresident fur harvester's~~
5 ~~license to a nonresident of this state if the state, province, or~~
6 ~~country in which the nonresident applicant resides allows~~
7 ~~residents of this state to obtain equivalent hunting and trapping~~
8 ~~privileges in that state, province, or country. The fee for an~~
9 ~~eligible nonresident fur harvester's license is \$150.00.~~

10 Nonresident fur harvester's licenses shall not be sold or
11 purchased prior to November 15 of each year.

12 **(2) (3)**A person who holds a fur harvester's license may
13 hunt fur-bearing animals during the season open to taking fur-
14 bearing animals with firearms and may trap fur-bearing animals
15 during the season open to trapping fur-bearing animals.

16 Sec. 43535. A resident of this state who is 65 years of age
17 or older may obtain a senior small game license, a senior firearm
18 deer license, a senior bow and arrow deer license, a senior bear
19 hunting license, a senior wild turkey hunting license, or a
20 senior fur harvester's license. The fee for each senior license
21 shall be ~~discounted 60% from the fee for the resident license.~~

22 **THE FOLLOWING PERCENTAGE OF THE FEE FOR THE CORRESPONDING**
23 **RESIDENT LICENSE, ROUNDED TO THE NEAREST 25 CENTS:**

24 **(A) BEFORE 2010, 40%.**

25 **(B) IN 2010, 45%.**

26 **(C) IN 2011, 50%.**

27 **(D) IN 2012, 55%.**

1 **(E) BEGINNING IN 2013, 60%.**

2 Enacting section 1. Section 43522a of the natural resources
3 and environmental protection act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.43522a, is
4 repealed.