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HOUSE BILL No. 5309

September 2, 2009, Introduced by Reps. Proos, Kurtz, Ball, Lori, Haveman, Tyler, Stamas, Daley, Agema, Spade, Wayne Schmidt, Lund, Walsh, Calley, Denby and Pavlov and referred to the Committee on Tourism, Outdoor Recreation and Natural Resources.

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled
"Natural resources and environmental protection act,"
by amending section 40114 (MCL 324.40114), as amended by 2008 PA
169.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 40114. (1) The department may issue a permit to a person who is unable to walk because the person is a paraplegic or an amputee or because of a disease or injury that has rendered the person permanently disabled. A permit issued under this subsection authorizes the person to take game during the open season for that game, including deer of either sex, from or upon a standing vehicle if that person holds a license to take that game issued pursuant to

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- 1 part 435 and complies with all other laws and rules for the taking
- 2 of game.
- 3 (2) The department may issue a permit to a person who is
- 4 permanently disabled, who has full use of only 1 arm, and who upon
- 5 investigation is unable to hold, aim, and shoot a bow. A permit
- 6 issued under this subsection authorizes the person to take game
- 7 during the open season for that game with a bow that has been
- 8 modified so that the bow may be held, aimed, and shot with 1 arm,
- 9 if that person holds a license to take that game issued pursuant to
- 10 part 435 and complies with all other laws and rules for the taking
- 11 of game.
- 12 (3) The commission may issue an order under section 40113a
- 13 regulating the taking of game with a modified bow that may be shot
- 14 with 1 arm. Subsection (2) does not apply on or after the effective
- 15 date of such an order.
- 16 (4) In addition, the department may issue permits authorizing
- 17 1 or more of the following:
- 18 (a) The taking or possession of animals for the purpose of
- 19 rehabilitating animals.
- 20 (b) The taking of animals to prevent or control damage and
- 21 nuisance caused by the animals. A PERMITTEE UNDER A DEER DAMAGE
- 22 SHOOTING PERMIT MAY DESIGNATE NOT MORE THAN 15 AUTHORIZED SHOOTERS
- 23 TO IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THE PERMIT.
- 24 (c) The collection, transportation, possession, or disposition
- 25 of animals and parts of animals for scientific purposes.
- 26 (d) The public exhibition of animals.
- (e) Taxidermy.

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- 1 (f) The disposition of accidentally or unlawfully taken or
- 2 injured animals or animals that are unlawfully possessed.
- 3 (g) The taking of game with a crossbow by a person who is
- 4 permanently disabled.
- 5 (5) A permit issued under this section may be suspended,
- 6 revoked, annulled, withdrawn, recalled, canceled, or amended
- 7 pursuant to the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306,
- 8 MCL 24.201 to 24.328. If the holder of a permit is convicted of
- 9 violating the permit or this section, his or her permit or license
- 10 may be revoked and any animal and the parts of any animal in his or
- 11 her possession shall be disposed of in a manner approved by the
- 12 department.
- 13 (6) Fees received for permits and licenses issued under this
- 14 section shall be forwarded by the department to the state treasurer
- 15 to be credited to the game and fish protection account of the
- 16 Michigan conservation and recreation legacy fund provided for in
- **17** section 2010.