

HOUSE BILL No. 6234

June 1, 2010, Introduced by Reps. Meadows, Lahti, Sheltroun, Lindberg, Scripps, McDowell and Angerer 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 40111a (MCL 324.40111a), as amended by 2009 PA
199.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 40111a. (1) The commission, after consultation with the
2 commission of agriculture, shall issue in the manner provided in
3 section 40113a an order concerning deer and elk feeding in this
4 state.

5 (2) As used in this section, "deer and elk feeding" means the
6 depositing, distributing, or tending of feed in an area frequented
7 by wild, free-ranging white-tailed deer and elk to prevent them
8 from starving or for recreational viewing. Deer and elk feeding
9 does not include any of the following:

1 (a) Baiting to take game as provided by an order of the
2 commission under section 40113a.

3 (b) The scattering of feed solely as the result of normal
4 logging practices or normal agricultural practices.

5 (c) The storage or use of feed for agricultural purposes if 1
6 or more of the following apply:

7 (i) The area is occupied by livestock actively consuming the
8 feed on a daily basis.

9 (ii) The feed is covered to deter wild, free-ranging white-
10 tailed deer and elk from gaining access to the feed or is being
11 used on a daily basis.

12 (iii) The feed is in a storage facility or is stored in a manner
13 that is consistent with normal agricultural practices.

14 (d) ~~Feeding~~ **THE INCIDENTAL FEEDING OF WILD, FREE-RANGING**
15 **WHITE-TAILED DEER AND ELK DURING THE FEEDING OF** wild birds or other
16 ~~wildlife. if done in such a manner as to exclude wild, free-ranging~~
17 ~~white-tailed deer and elk from gaining access to the feed. AS USED~~
18 **IN THIS SUBDIVISION, "INCIDENTAL FEEDING" MEANS THAT THE PRIMARY**
19 **PURPOSE OF THE FEEDING WAS NOT TO PROVIDE FOOD TO WILD, FREE-**
20 **RANGING WHITE-TAILED DEER AND ELK.**

21 (3) This section is repealed effective January 1, 2016.