



# HOUSE BILL No. 5501

March 22, 2016, Introduced by Reps. Crawford, Kesto and Tedder and referred to the  
Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend 2000 PA 274, entitled  
"Large carnivore act,"  
by amending section 2 (MCL 287.1102), as amended by 2013 PA 8.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1       Sec. 2. As used in this act:

2       (a) "Animal control officer" means a county animal control  
3 officer as described in sections 29a and 29b of the dog law of  
4 1919, 1919 PA 339, MCL 287.289a and 287.289b, or a city, village,  
5 or township animal control officer as described in section 29c of  
6 the dog law of 1919, 1919 PA 339, MCL 287.289c.

7       (b) "Animal control shelter" or "animal protection shelter"  
8 means an animal control shelter or animal protection shelter,  
9 respectively, registered with the department under section 6 of

1 1969 PA 287, MCL 287.336.

2 (c) "Circus" means an incorporated, class C licensee that is  
3 licensed under ~~chapter I of title 9 of the code of federal~~  
4 ~~regulations,~~ **9 CFR CHAPTER I** that is temporarily in this state, and  
5 that offers skilled performances by live animals, clowns, and  
6 acrobats for public entertainment. Circus does not include a  
7 person, whether or not a class C licensee, who presents a large  
8 carnivore to the public as part of a carnival or for any of the  
9 following purposes:

10 (i) Exhibition.

11 (ii) Education.

12 (iii) Entertainment that includes wrestling, a photography  
13 opportunity with a patron, or an activity in which the large  
14 carnivore and a patron are in close contact with each other.

15 (d) "Department" means the department of agriculture and rural  
16 development.

17 (e) "Facility" means an indoor or outdoor cage, pen, or  
18 similar enclosure where a large carnivore is kept.

19 (f) "Large carnivore" means either of the following:

20 (i) Any of the following cats of the Felidae family, whether  
21 wild or captive bred, including a hybrid cross with such a cat:

22 (A) A lion.

23 (B) A leopard, including, but not limited to, a snow leopard  
24 or clouded leopard.

25 (C) A jaguar.

26 (D) A tiger.

27 (E) A cougar.

1 (F) A panther.

2 (G) A cheetah.

3 (ii) A bear of a species that is native or nonnative to this  
4 state, whether wild or captive bred.

5 (g) "Law enforcement officer" means:

6 (i) A sheriff or sheriff's deputy.

7 (ii) A village or township marshal.

8 (iii) An officer of the police department of a city, village,  
9 or township.

10 (iv) An officer of the Michigan state police.

11 (v) A peace officer who is trained and **LICENSED OR** certified  
12 under the **MICHIGAN** commission on law enforcement standards act,  
13 1965 PA 203, MCL 28.601 to ~~28.616~~-**28.615**.

14 (vi) A conservation officer appointed by the department of  
15 natural resources.

16 (vii) An animal control officer.

17 (viii) A law enforcement officer of the federal government  
18 authorized to enforce any federal law regulating animals.

19 (h) "Livestock" means that term as defined in section 5 of the  
20 animal industry act, 1988 PA 466, MCL 287.705.

21 (i) "Local unit" means a city, village, township, or county.

22 (j) "Permit" means a permit issued under section 4.

23 (k) "Permitting agency" means the agency of a local unit that  
24 issues permits under section 4.

25 (l) "Person" means an individual, partnership, corporation,  
26 association, governmental entity, or other legal entity.

27 (m) "Pet shop" means a pet shop licensed by the department

1 under section 3 of 1969 PA 287, MCL 287.333.

2 (n) "Veterinarian" means a person licensed to practice  
3 veterinary medicine under article 15 of the public health code,  
4 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.16101 to 333.18838.

5 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days  
6 after the date it is enacted into law.

7 Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect  
8 unless Senate Bill No. 92 or House Bill No. \_\_\_\_ (request no.  
9 00913'15 \*) of the 98th Legislature is enacted into law.