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

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- 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.

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- 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 (q) "Law enforcement officer" means:
- (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.
- (j) "Permit" means a permit issued under section 4.
- (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

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- 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.

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