HOUSE BILL No. 5682

May 24, 2016, Introduced by Rep. Glenn and referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

A bill to amend 2000 PA 190, entitled "Privately owned cervidae producers marketing act," by amending section 6 (MCL 287.956), as amended by 2006 PA 561.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 6. (1) The initial application to construct a cervidae
- 2 livestock facility shall be accompanied by the application fee
- 3 described in section 8. The department shall approve, deny, or
- 4 propose a modification to the completed application within 60 days.
- 5 The department shall utilize the standards contained in
- 6 "Operational Standards for Registered Privately Owned Cervidae
- 7 Facilities", published by the Michigan department of natural
- 8 resources, (revised December 2005), adopted by the Michigan
- 9 commission of agriculture AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT on January 9, 2006,
- 10 and adopted by the natural resources commission on January 12,
- 11 2006, and incorporated by reference, to evaluate the issuance,

- 1 construction, maintenance, administration, and renewal of a
- 2 registration issued under this act. The department after
- 3 consultation with the department of agriculture AND RURAL
- 4 DEVELOPMENT and with concurrence of the commissions of natural
- 5 resources and agriculture AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT may , by amendment
- 6 of PROPOSE AMENDMENTS TO this act -TO amend or update the
- 7 standards adopted INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE in this subsection.
- 8 Before issuing any registration under this act, the director shall
- 9 verify, through written confirmation, both of the following:
- 10 (a) The department has approved the method used to flush any
- 11 free-ranging cervidae species from the facility, if applicable, and
- 12 all free-ranging cervidae species have actually been flushed.
- 13 (b) The department has determined that the size and location
- 14 of the facility will not place unreasonable stress on wildlife
- 15 habitat or migration corridors.
- 16 (2) As part of the initial application or the application to
- 17 modify a cervidae livestock facility, the applicant for
- 18 registration shall submit a business plan complying with the
- 19 standards established under this section that includes all of the
- 20 following:
- 21 (a) The complete address of the proposed cervidae livestock
- 22 facility and the size of, the location of, and a legal description
- 23 of the lands on which the cervidae livestock operation will be
- 24 conducted.
- 25 (b) The number of each cervidae species included in the
- 26 proposed facility.
- (c) Biosecurity measures to be utilized, including, but not

- 1 limited to, methods of fencing and appropriate animal
- 2 identification.
- 3 (d) The proposed method of flushing wild cervidae species from
- 4 the enclosure, if applicable.
- 5 (e) A record-keeping system in compliance with this act and
- 6 the operational standards incorporated by reference in subsection
- 7 (1).
- 8 (f) The method of verification that all free-ranging cervidae
- 9 species have been removed.
- 10 (g) The IF KNOWN, THE current zoning of the property proposed
- 11 as a cervidae livestock facility and whether the local unit or
- 12 units of government within which the cervidae livestock facility
- 13 will be located has an ordinance regarding fences.
- 14 (h) A disease herd plan in compliance with the operational
- 15 standards incorporated by reference in subsection (1) to be
- 16 approved by the state veterinarian under the animal industry act,
- 17 1988 PA 466, MCL 287.701 to 287.745.287.746.
- 18 (i) Any other information considered necessary by the
- 19 department.
- 20 (3) Upon receipt of an application, the director shall forward
- 21 1 copy each to the departments of agriculture AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT
- 22 and environmental quality. Upon receipt of an application, the
- 23 department shall send a written notice to the local unit or units
- 24 of government within which the proposed cervidae livestock facility
- 25 will be located unless the department determines, from information
- 26 provided in the application, that the local unit of government has
- 27 a zoning ordinance under which the land is zoned agricultural.

- 1 INQUIRING AS TO THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF THE PROPERTY AND
- 2 WHETHER THE USE OF THE PROPERTY FOR A CERVIDAE LIVESTOCK FACILITY
- 3 IS ALLOWED WITHIN THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION. The local unit or
- 4 units of government may SHALL respond, within 30 days of receipt of
- 5 the written notice, indicating whether the applicant's cervidae
- 6 livestock facility would be in violation of VIOLATE any ordinance.
- 7 (4) The department shall not issue an initial cervidae
- 8 livestock facility registration or modification unless the
- 9 application demonstrates all of the following:
- 10 (a) The cervidae livestock facility has been inspected by the
- 11 director and he or she has determined that the cervidae livestock
- 12 facility meets the standards and requirements prescribed by and
- 13 adopted under this act, complies with the business plan submitted
- 14 to the department, and determines that there are barriers in place
- 15 to prevent the escape of cervidae species and prevent the entry of
- 16 wild cervidae species. A renewal or initial applicant must provide
- 17 a perimeter fence in compliance with the operational standards
- 18 incorporated by reference under subsection (1).
- 19 (b) The method for individual animal identification complies
- 20 with the standards incorporated by reference under this section.
- 21 (c) The applicant has all necessary permits that are required
- 22 under part 31 regarding water resources protection, part 301
- 23 regarding inland lakes and streams, and part 303 regarding wetland
- 24 protection of the natural resources and environmental protection
- 25 act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.3101 to 324.3133, 324.3134, 324.30101 to
- 26 324.30113, and 324.30301 to 324.30323, 324.30328, and any other
- 27 permits or authorizations that may be required by law.

- 1 (5) Beginning the effective date of the amendatory act that
- 2 added this subsection, the THE department shall issue an initial
- 3 registration or modification registration allowing an expansion of
- 4 an existing facility not later than 120 days after the applicant
- 5 files a completed application. Renewal applications shall be issued
- 6 not later than 60 days after the applicant files a completed
- 7 application. Receipt of the application is considered the date the
- 8 application is received by the department. If the application is
- 9 considered incomplete by the department, the department shall
- 10 notify the applicant in writing, or make the information
- 11 electronically available, within 30 days after receipt of the
- 12 incomplete application, describing the deficiency and requesting
- 13 the additional information. The determination of the completeness
- 14 of an application does not operate as an approval of the
- 15 application for the registration and does not confer eligibility
- 16 upon an applicant determined otherwise ineligible for issuance of a
- 17 registration. The 120-day period is tolled under any of the
- 18 following circumstances:
- 19 (a) Notice sent by the department FROM THE TIME THE DEPARTMENT
- 20 SENDS NOTICE of a deficiency in the application until the date all
- 21 of the requested information is received by the department.
- 22 (b) The DURING THE time period during which required actions
- 23 are completed that include, but are not limited to, completion of
- 24 construction or renovation of the facility; mandated reinspections
- 25 if by the department; other inspections if required by any state,
- 26 local, or federal agency; approval by the legislative body of a
- 27 local unit of government; or other actions mandated by this act or

- 1 as otherwise mandated by law or local ordinance.
- 2 (6) If the department fails to issue or deny a registration
- 3 within the time required by this subsection, SECTION, the
- 4 department shall return the registration fee and shall reduce the
- 5 registration fee for the applicant's next renewal application, if
- 6 any, by 15%. The failure to issue a registration within the time
- 7 required under this section does not allow the department to
- 8 otherwise delay the processing of the application, and that
- 9 application, upon completion, shall be placed in sequence with
- 10 other completed applications received at that same time. The
- 11 department shall not discriminate against an applicant in the
- 12 processing of the application based upon the fact that the
- 13 registration fee was refunded or discounted under this subsection.
- 14 (7) Upon receipt of a denial under this section and without
- 15 filing a second application, the applicant may request in writing
- 16 and, if requested, the department shall provide an informal review
- 17 of the application. The review shall include the applicant, the
- 18 department, and the departments of agriculture AND RURAL
- 19 DEVELOPMENT and environmental quality, if applicable. After the
- 20 informal review, if the director determines that the proposed
- 21 cervidae livestock facility or cervidae livestock operation
- 22 complies with the requirements of this act, the director shall
- 23 issue a registration within 30 days after the applicant notifies
- 24 the department of completion of the facility. After the informal
- 25 review, if the director determines that the proposed cervidae
- 26 livestock facility or cervidae livestock operation does not comply
- 27 with the requirements of this act, the director shall affirm the

- 1 denial of the application in writing and specify the deficiencies
- 2 needed to be addressed or corrected in order for a registration to
- 3 be issued. The applicant may waive the informal review of the
- 4 application.
- 5 (8) As used in this subsection, "completed application" means
- 6 an application complete on its face and submitted with any
- 7 applicable registration fees as well as any other information,
- 8 records, approval, security, or similar item required by law or
- 9 rule from a local unit of government, a federal agency, or a
- 10 private entity but not from another department or agency of the
- 11 THIS state. of Michigan.
- 12 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
- 13 after the date it is enacted into law.