

# HOUSE BILL No. 6200

June 12, 2018, Introduced by Reps. Chatfield, Allor, Cole, LaFave, Hughes, Alexander, Hornberger, Kahle and Barrett and referred to the Committee on Michigan Competitiveness.

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled  
"Natural resources and environmental protection act,"  
(MCL 324.101 to 324.90106) by adding section 80158a.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1           SEC. 80158A. (1) EXCEPT IN AN EMERGENCY OR WITH PRIOR WRITTEN  
2 PERMISSION GRANTED BY THE DIRECTOR, THE OPERATOR OF A VESSEL SHALL  
3 NOT DEPLOY, DRAG, SET, OR USE ANY ANCHOR OR ANY OTHER VESSEL  
4 EQUIPMENT THAT MAY COME INTO CONTACT WITH THE LAKE BOTTOMLANDS IN  
5 THE AREA BOUNDED ON THE WEST BY A LINE BEGINNING AT LATITUDE N 45°  
6 46' 48.883" LONGITUDE W 84° 47' 34.705" AND EXTENDING NORTH TO  
7 POINT LATITUDE N 45° 50' 23.169" LONGITUDE W 84° 46' 8.476" AND  
8 BOUNDED ON THE EAST BY A LINE BEGINNING AT LATITUDE N 45° 47'  
9 18.4812" LONGITUDE W 84° 43' 55.2396" AND EXTENDING NORTH TO POINT

1 LATITUDE N 45° 50' 46.086" LONGITUDE W 84° 43' 24.1392".

2 (2) A PERSON THAT WISHES TO RECEIVE PERMISSION TO USE AN  
3 ANCHOR OR OTHER VESSEL EQUIPMENT THAT MAY CONTACT THE BOTTLANDS  
4 IN THE AREA DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1) MAY SUBMIT A REQUEST, IN  
5 WRITING, TO THE DEPARTMENT. THE REQUEST MUST CONTAIN A PRECISE  
6 DESCRIPTION OF THE AREA WHERE USE OF AN ANCHOR OR OTHER EQUIPMENT  
7 IS REQUESTED AND THE REASON FOR THE REQUEST.

8 (3) SUBSECTION (1) DOES NOT APPLY TO VESSELS EXERCISING TRIBAL  
9 USUFRUCTUARY RIGHTS RESERVED IN THE MARCH 28, 1836 TREATY OF  
10 WASHINGTON (7 STAT 491) AND AS STATED IN THE NOVEMBER 2, 2007  
11 CONSENT DECREE (DKT. 1799 IN W.D. MICH. CASE NO. 2:73-CV-000026).

12 (4) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (5), A PERSON WHO  
13 KNOWINGLY VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A FELONY PUNISHABLE BY  
14 IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN 2 YEARS OR A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN  
15 \$10,000.00, OR BOTH.

16 (5) A PERSON WHO IS CONVICTED OF A SECOND OR SUBSEQUENT  
17 VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A FELONY PUNISHABLE BY  
18 IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN 5 YEARS OR A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN  
19 \$15,000.00, OR BOTH.