

REPEAL MACOMB HUNTING BAN

House Bill 5547

Sponsor: Rep. Sue Rocca

Committee: Conservation, Environment

and Recreation

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5547 AS INTRODUCED 2-5-98

Currently, Act 9 of the Local Acts of 1947 prohibits hunting game on Sundays in Macomb County. House Bill 5547 would repeal the local act, subject to the approval of the affected county electorate. Under the bill, the question would be submitted to county voters at the next general election, to be held not less than 60 days after the bill's effective date, or at a special election called for that purpose by the county board of commissioners. The question would have to be submitted in a form similar to the following:

"Shall 1998 Local Act _____, which would repeal 1947 LA 9 and therefore would permit hunting, on Sunday, for game animals and game birds in the county of Macomb, be adopted?"

If a majority of the qualified electors voted in favor of adoption the repeal of Act 9 would become effective ten days following the certification of the election results. (Note: Article IV, section 29 of the state constitution says that a local act cannot take effect unless approved by two-thirds of the members elected to and serving in each house, and by a majority of electors voting on a referendum on the issue in the district affected. The constitution further provides that in order to repeal a local act, legislation that would do so must be approved by only a majority of the members in each house and not by voters in the district.)

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