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## **HOUSE BILL No. 4250**

February 15, 2011, Introduced by Reps. Meadows, Segal, Tyler, Barnett, Johnson, Smiley, Shaughnessy and MacMaster and referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, Tourism, and Outdoor Recreation.

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 40111a (MCL 324.40111a), as amended by 2009 PA 199.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Sec. 40111a. (1) The commission, after consultation with the commission of agriculture, shall issue in the manner provided in section 40113a an order concerning deer and elk feeding in this state.
  - (2) As used in this section, "deer and elk feeding" means the depositing , OR distributing , or tending of feed in an area
- 7 frequented by wild, free-ranging white-tailed deer and elk OF FEED
- 8 to WILD, FREE-RANGING WHITE-TAILED DEER AND ELK TO prevent them
- 9 from starving or for recreational viewing. Deer and elk feeding

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- 1 does not include any of the following:
- 2 (a) Baiting to take game as provided by an order of the
- 3 commission under section 40113a.
- 4 (b) The scattering of feed solely as the result of normal
- 5 logging practices or normal agricultural practices.
- 6 (c) The storage or use of feed for agricultural purposes if 1
- 7 or more of the following apply:
- 8 (i) The area is occupied by livestock actively consuming the
- 9 feed on a daily basis.
- 10 (ii) The feed is covered to deter wild, free-ranging white-
- 11 tailed deer and elk from gaining access to the feed or is being
- 12 used on a daily basis.
- 13 (iii) The feed is in a storage facility or is stored in a manner
- 14 that is consistent with normal agricultural practices.
- 15 (d) Feeding THE INCIDENTAL FEEDING OF WILD, FREE-RANGING
- 16 WHITE-TAILED DEER AND ELK DURING THE FEEDING OF wild birds or other
- 17 wildlife. if done in such a manner as to exclude wild, free-ranging
- 18 white-tailed deer and elk from gaining access to the feed. AS USED
- 19 IN THIS SUBDIVISION, "INCIDENTAL FEEDING" MEANS THAT THE PRIMARY
- 20 PURPOSE OF THE FEEDING WAS NOT TO PROVIDE FOOD TO WILD, FREE-
- 21 RANGING WHITE-TAILED DEER AND ELK.
- 22 (3) This section is repealed effective January 1, 2016.

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