

Matt Carnagie

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Sent: Wednesday, September 21, 2022 10:02 AM
To: Matt Carnagie
Subject: Public Comment to be read for HB6354

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Thank you chair and thank you to Representative Hoyenga for her efforts in decriminalizing this pure overreach of yet another department in the state of Michigan.

Hunting in Michigan is One of the most timeless and purist activities we have. People from all around the world visit this incredible state to be a part of the natural resources that we provide including harvesting multiple games and enjoying knowledge and skill passed down from generation to generation.

What this Department is trying to do is criminalize an act that is more fundamental to the survival of our species than any other.

Furthermore, requiring the type of weapon used to take down your harvest has no bearing whatsoever on the natural resources that this department would need to ensure a healthy environment for hunters in the future. This is yet just another overreach and a back door into the discovery of what weapons individuals have in their homes by collecting that data.

I applaud this committee for taking on this egregious regulation and at the very least trying to decriminalize what is a natural right of the human being.

Though I would like to see a more aggressive approach to removing outlandish regulations such as this, I do appreciate the effort to temper the possible charges given to a Hunter trying to survive.

250,000 hunters every year grace our Natural resources. To spend the resources that the state doesn't really have to criminalize hunters when there are a plethora of other major issues infecting the state that pose a greater risk of harm, I would hope we would focus on those instead of our hunters,

Thank you very much for your time and your efforts and again I appreciate representative Hoyenga and this committee for standing up for the Hunters of Michigan

Jon Rocha, Barry County

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From: David Olson <dolson@northernpwco.com>
Sent: Tuesday, September 20, 2022 10:34 AM
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Subject: Regarding HB 6354

Importance: High

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Good morning,

I understand that there is a committee meeting in 15 minutes in Room 308, to discuss the bill co-sponsored by Rep. Hoitenga. This is in response to the activity of the Natural Resources Commission and their meeting, from which came the regulation / policy / ? that made a misdemeanor of every person not reporting game harvesting / possession / etc with 72 hours.

Let me say this: the NRC was out of line to create this sort of requirement, if they did so in the first place. However, trying to make the penalty smaller, so as to avoid a governor veto, still does not make their action right. By passing a bill on to the governor to sign into law something that, at this point, is only a non-elected gvt bureaucracy bully move, is the wrong direction. Stand up and declare the overreach for what it is and call for the revocation of the NRC's tyrannical move.

David Olson

Barry County resident
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Matt Carnegie

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Subject: Hb6354

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I am writing to you with concern of this bill and the government overreach that is in it. Please do not let this bill go through! It will just be the beginning of the amount of overreach they are allowed to continue to pass.

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Matt Carnagie

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Subject: House bill 6354 deer harvest reporting

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My name is Robert Pool, I'm a life long resident of Michigan, and life long hunter and fisherman, until now, I will not purchase a license if that what this comes to.

Charging a person with a Misdemeanor for not filling out a survey is the most ridiculous solution the NRC/DNR could possibly come up with if they were truly serious about managing the deer heard.

What will it accomplish? Less license sales, less hunters. Why take a chance on accidentally breaking a rule or making a mistake filling out an online form and being charged with a Misdemeanor when you can just "sit out for a while" and not have to worry about a being bogusly charged.

If they think that won't happen, I've already discussed it with dozens of hunters.

I know this is about house bill 6354 and the only change would be to make the penalty a civil infraction, doesn't make difference.

Many aspects of this bill are invasive, and Unconstitutional and should never be codified by the legislature.

The fact that the dnr came up with this bs, Unconstitutionally, trying to create criminals out of innocent gun owners, by attaching a Misdemeanor, is what this is really about, shows the dnr needs to be dismantled and rebuilt to actually serve the people of Michigan.

Weaponizing a department like this makes them an enemy, all they understand is money anyway, they dont care about anyone's opinions or input or they would've asked, the way to open their ears is to stop buying licenses.

Remember when they threatened and wouldn't let people launch their boats or go fishing because the governor forbid it?

i don't have a problem with reporting the harvest, I have a problem with telling them coordinates, what weapon was used, and the fact they want to charge people with a Misdemeanor/ civil infraction for not filling out a survey, regardless of the 72 hr deadline.

This is a clear overreach by unelected bureaucrats.

The board is appointed by the governor so no, there is no way I will ever trust them again just for putting the Misdemeanor in it.

I know its not necessarily the dnr officers themselves that want to do this, but this whole "im just doing my job" bs, has run its course. Many hunters have good relationships with local Dnr officers, this will definitely change.

Do the right thing for Michigan and eliminate any and all penalties for not filling out a survey.

Sincerely,
Robert Pool
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