

HOUSE BILL No. 6293

September 5, 2018, Introduced by Rep. LaFave and referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 43513 (MCL 324.43513), as amended by 2018 PA 272.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 43513. (1) An individual may carry, transport, or possess
2 a firearm without a hunting license ~~if the~~ **UNDER EITHER OF THE**
3 **FOLLOWING CIRCUMSTANCES:**

4 **(A) THE** firearm is unloaded and either enclosed in a case or
5 carried in a vehicle in a location that is not readily accessible
6 to any occupant of the vehicle.

7 **(B) THE INDIVIDUAL IS IN AN AREA FREQUENTED BY WILD ANIMALS**
8 **AND IS NOT HUNTING.**

9 (2) An individual may carry, transport, or possess a

1 slingshot, bow, or crossbow without a hunting license if the
2 slingshot, bow, or crossbow is unloaded and uncocked, enclosed in a
3 case, or carried in a vehicle in a location that is not readily
4 accessible to any occupant of the vehicle.

5 **(3)** ~~(2)~~—Regardless of whether the individual has a license or
6 it is open season for the taking of game, an individual may carry,
7 transport, possess, or discharge a firearm, a bow, or a crossbow if
8 all of the following apply:

9 (a) The individual is not taking or attempting to take game
10 but is engaged in 1 or more of the following activities:

11 (i) Target practice using an identifiable, artificially
12 constructed target or targets.

13 (ii) Practice with silhouettes, plinking, skeet, or trap.

14 (iii) Sighting-in the firearm, bow, or crossbow.

15 (b) The individual is, or is accompanied by or has the
16 permission of, either of the following:

17 (i) The owner of the property on which the activity under
18 subdivision (a) is taking place.

19 (ii) The lessee of that property for a term of not less than 1
20 year.

21 (c) The owner or lessee of the property does not receive
22 remuneration for the activity under subdivision (a).

23 **(4)** ~~(3)~~—An individual may carry, transport, or possess a
24 firearm, slingshot, bow, or crossbow without a hunting license if
25 the individual is hunting on a game bird hunting preserve licensed
26 under part 417.

27 **(5)** ~~(4)~~—An individual may carry or possess an unloaded weapon

1 at any time if the individual is traveling to or from or
2 participating in a historical reenactment.

3 **(6)** ~~(5)~~—As used in this section:

4 (a) "Uncocked" means the following:

5 (i) For a bow, that the bow is not in the drawn position.

6 (ii) For a crossbow, that the crossbow is not in the cocked
7 position.

8 (iii) For a slingshot, that the slingshot is not in the drawn
9 position.

10 (b) "Unloaded" means the following:

11 (i) For a firearm, that the firearm does not have ammunition
12 in the barrel, chamber, cylinder, clip, or magazine when the
13 barrel, chamber, cylinder, clip, or magazine is part of or attached
14 to the firearm.

15 (ii) For a bow, that an arrow is not nocked.

16 (iii) For a crossbow, that a bolt is not in the flight groove.

17 (iv) For a slingshot, that the slingshot does not have
18 ammunition in the projectile pocket.