

# HOUSE BILL No. 5681

March 23, 2004, Introduced by Reps. Shackleton, Richardville, Ehardt, Woronchak and Pastor and referred to the Committee on Conservation and Outdoor Recreation.

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending sections 76505 and 76507 (MCL 324.76505 and 324.76507), as added by 1995 PA 58, and by adding section 76507a.

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

1       Sec. 76505. The ~~superintendent of the Mackinac Island~~  
2 ~~state park~~ **director** shall see to it that the United States flag  
3 is kept floating from the flagstaff at Fort Mackinac, and rules  
4 relative thereto are the same as those that have governed in that  
5 matter when the fort was in possession and occupancy by the  
6 United States troops.

7       Sec. 76507. ~~A~~ **Except as provided in section 76504, a**  
8 person who ~~willfully cuts, peels, or otherwise injures or~~  
9 ~~destroys any tree standing in Mackinac Island state park, or who~~

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1 ~~carries, draws, leaves, or deposits anywhere within the park, any~~  
2 ~~filth, rubbish, or garbage,~~ **operates a motor vehicle on land**  
3 **within the Mackinac Island state park** is guilty of a misdemeanor  
4 ~~—, punishable by imprisonment for not less than 10 days or~~  
5 more than ~~60~~ **93** days ~~—, or a fine of not less than \$10.00 or~~  
6 more than ~~\$50.00~~ **\$500.00**, or both, ~~in the discretion of the~~  
7 ~~court~~ **plus the costs of prosecution.**

8       **Sec. 76507a. (1) A person shall not cut, peel, damage,**  
9 **destroy, or remove a tree or other vegetation or state property**  
10 **located in any park or other property under the control of the**  
11 **commission, without written permission from the director.**

12       **(2) A person who violates subsection (1) is civilly liable to**  
13 **the commission in a sum equal to triple the amount of damage,**  
14 **destruction, or value of the property.**