HOUSE BILL NO. 5092

October 02, 2025, Introduced by Reps. Bierlein, Alexander, Skaggs, Wooden, Pohutsky, Glanville, Outman, Rigas, Neyer, Tisdel, Thompson, Roth, O'Neal, Johnsen, Schmaltz, Hoadley, Linting, Kelly, Kunse, Bruck, Slagh, Posthumus, Borton and Robinson and referred to Committee on Regulatory Reform.

A bill to amend 2000 PA 274, entitled "Large carnivore act,"

by amending section 22a (MCL 287.1122a), as added by 2018 PA 610.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Sec. 22a. **(1)** Subject to section 22b, a person who that meets all of the following requirements may apply to the department for a breeding license to breed large carnivores:
- 4 (a) Is conducting a for-profit or nonprofit business, if the
- 5 primary purpose of that business is the presentation of animals
- 6 including large carnivores to the public for education or
- 7 exhibition purposes.

- 1 (b) Is a class C licensee that possesses and maintains a class 2 C license under 9 CFR parts 1 and 2.
- 3 (c) Meets or exceeds all standards required of a class C
- 4 licensee under 9 CFR parts 1 and 2 , including, but not limited to,
- 5 standards for training, housing, care, and transport of large
- 6 carnivores. If the United States Department of Agriculture has,
- 7 within the last 5 years, confiscated an animal of, or issued a
- 8 finally determined direct or critical noncompliance to or a civil
- 9 penalty, including a cease and desist order, a monetary penalty, or
- 10 a license suspension or revocation against, a class C licensee,
- 11 that class C licensee does not meet the requirement under this
- 12 subdivision.and maintains the class C license in good standing for
- 13 the previous 5 years.
- 14 (d) Does not allow a patron to come into direct contact with a
- 15 large carnivore.
- 16 (e) Does not sell large carnivores, except to another person
- 17 that meets the requirements of this section.
- 18 (2) As used in this section, "good standing" means a person
- 19 has not had a federal or state license suspended or revoked, or has
- 20 not been made subject to a cease and desist order.