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## BILL ANALYSIS



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House Bill 4424 (Substitute H-1 as reported without amendment)  
Sponsor: Representative John Kivela  
House Committee: Natural Resources  
Senate Committee: Natural Resources

**CONTENT**

The bill would amend Part 401 (Wildlife Conservation) of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act to prohibit the importation of a cervid carcass or parts of a cervid carcass into Michigan from outside the State, and specify the penalty for violating the prohibition.

The importation of the following cervid carcass parts would not constitute a violation: hides, deboned meat, quarters or other parts of a cervid that do not have any part of the spinal column or head attached, finished taxidermy products, cleaned teeth, antlers, or antlers attached to a skullcap cleaned of brain and muscle tissue.

The bill specifies that a violation of Part 401 or an order or interim order issued under it regarding the importation of a cervid carcass or parts of a cervid carcass from another state or province would be a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for up to 90 days, or a fine of at least \$500 but not more than \$2,000, or both, as well as the costs of prosecution.

(A cervid is any mammal of the deer family.)

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Legislative Analyst: Nathan Leaman

**FISCAL IMPACT**

The bill would have no fiscal impact on the State and could have a small negative fiscal impact on local government. Any increase in misdemeanor arrests and convictions could increase resource demands on law enforcement, court systems, and community supervision. Any associated increase in fine revenue would increase funding to public libraries.

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