

Michigan House Approves Year-Round Frog Hunting



LANSING, Mich. (AP)- Legislation that has advanced another step in Michigan would let hunters kill frogs year round and lift a ban against spearing frogs by using an artificial light.

The House passed the bill 69-39 Thursday after changing a version that previously cleared the Senate. The House also voted 84-24 to prohibit hunting reptiles or amphibians for commercial purposes.

Michigan now bans killing any species of frog between mid-November and late spring.

It also bars frog-spearing - or "gigging" - which is popular among young people in southern states, according to a legislative analysis.

The bill's opponents say frog-spearing is inhumane and frogs need protection to breed.

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Those who voted in favour of this would be the first to call for increased pesticides use when mosquitoes get out of control. Please write your letter of protest.