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The Honorable Mike Green, Chair  
Senate Appropriations Subcommittee  
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The Honorable Jon Bumstead, Chair  
House Appropriations Subcommittee  
on Natural Resources  
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Dear Senator Green and Representative Bumstead:

Pursuant to Section 503, PA 200 of 2012, the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is required to submit a report on efforts undertaken to enforce the feral swine invasive species order.

The Invasive Species Order Amendment #1 of 2011 (ISO) added *Sus scrofa* Linnaeus to the prohibited species list in Michigan per the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, Part 413.

In the spring of 2012, the DNR conducted inspections of properties that in the past may have possessed swine that are prohibited under the ISO. The compliance inspections were conducted with the full consent of all property owners with the exception of two facilities. All of the properties but one was found to be free of prohibited swine. The inspections were the most recent action taken by the DNR to enforce the ISO. To date, the DNR has conducted a total of twenty voluntary compliance inspections and two administrative inspections to enforce the ISO. All of the inspections were conducted on game ranches and breeding facilities.

The DNR is currently in litigation with five swine facility owners. These cases are ongoing.

The DNR spent approximately \$152,800 in fiscal year 2011-12 on efforts to enforce the ISO. The majority of these expenditures were as a result of litigation with the five facilities. All expenditures were paid out of General Fund.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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