

House Committee on Natural Resources and Outdoor Recreation

Honorable House Representative: Gary Howell Committee Chair

Subject: HB 4080 Legislation

My wife and I are both lifetime members of Michigan Bowhunters and many other Archery and Conservation organizations, including The Pope and Young Club.

We would oppose the Airbow in Archery season, as it is in no way an Archery related piece of equipment. Disabled persons already have crossbows which can launch an arrow at over 400 feet per second and there are several devices that can cock crossbows with ease.

This probably should not even be called a bow. It has no string or limbs it fires an arrow with pneumatic air pressure much like a pellet rifle. The Archery Trade Association (ATA) also opposes it's use in any Archery season and does not recognize it as a piece of Archery equipment.

We are also concerned about the future and integrity of Michigan's Archery season.

Sincerely,
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