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SCRAP TIRE CLEANUP

House Bill 4276 (Substitute H-1) Sponsor: Rep. Michael Nye

House Bill 4832 (Substitute H-1) Sponsor: Rep. Burton Leland

Committee: Conservation, Environment and Great Lakes

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILLS 4276 (H-1) AND 4832 (H-1)

House Bill 4276 would amend the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act (MCL 324.1601 and 324.16908) to allow funds to be appropriated from the Scrap Tire Regulatory Fund to clean up tires illegally dumped on private, as well as on public, land. More specifically, the bill would delete the provision restricting the use of money from the fund to the clean up of abandoned scrap tires only on land owned by the state or a local unit of government. Instead, the bill would define "abandoned scrap tires" (which would mean an accumulation of scrap tires on property where the property owner had been determined by the Department of Environmental Quality not to be, in whole or in part, responsible for the accumulation of the scrap tires; someone who bought or willingly took possession of an existing scrap tire collection site would be considered by the department to be responsible, in whole or in part, for the accumulation of the scrap tires), and would allow money from the fund to be used for the cleanup or collection of abandoned scrap tires and scrap tires accumulated before January 1, 1991, at collection sites.

House Bill 4832 would amend the Michigan Vehicle Code (MCL 257.806) to extend for five more years the current 50 cents tire disposal surcharge that is required to be paid on each vehicle title and that is deposited into the Scrap Tire Regulatory Fund. Instead of ending on January 1, 1996, the tire disposal surcharge would continue until January 1, 2001.

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