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Senate Bills 626 and 627 (as introduced 10-11-17)
Sponsor: Senator Jim Marleau
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CONTENT

Senate Bills 626 and 627 would amend the Aeronautics Code and Part 801 (Marine Safety) of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, respectively, to give the Michigan Aeronautics Commission authority over the operation of seaplanes on the waters of the State.

Each bill would take effect 90 days after it was enacted.

The bills are tie-barred.

Senate Bill 626

The bill would authorize the Michigan Aeronautics Commission, by rule, to provide for the landing, operation, and take-off of seaplanes on and from the State's waters.

The bill also specifies that, to ensure safety and uniformity in the operation of aircraft on the waters of the State, the authority of the Commission would be exclusive to the extent exercised by rule of the Commission, and any rule promulgated would control over any charter, ordinance, or other regulation of a political subdivision.

Senate Bill 627

The bill specifies that Part 801 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act would not apply to the landing, operation, and take-off of seaplanes on and from waters subject to the jurisdiction of the State, to the extent that the activity was regulated by rules promulgated under the Aeronautics Code.

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FISCAL IMPACT**Senate Bill 626**

The bill would not have a direct impact on State or local government; however, granting rule-making power to the Aeronautics Commission regarding seaplane operations has the potential to minimally increase revenue, by fees, or expenditures, as administrative costs, for both the State and local units of government.

Senate Bill 627

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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