

Legislative Analysis



HOTEL ROOM SMOKING FEES

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House Bill 4903 as introduced
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SUMMARY:

House Bill 4903 would amend 1913 PA 188, which regulates hotels, to require hotels to notify customers regarding fees for smoking in a hotel room and, if requested, to inspect a room before a customer checks out of it to determine whether any smoking fees will be assessed.

Specifically, the owner, manager, agent, or individual in charge of a hotel in Michigan could not rent or lease a room there unless they have done all of the following:

- Given the person renting the room a written schedule of the fees charged for smoking in a room in the hotel.
- Verbally instructed the person to review and sign the fee schedule.
- Left a copy of the fee schedule in a conspicuous area in every room at the hotel.
- Posted a copy of the fee schedule in a conspicuous place at the hotel.

Upon the request of a person checking out of the hotel, and before the person does so, the owner, manager, agent, or individual in charge of the hotel would have to do both of the following:

- Inspect the room in the presence of the person.
- Based on that inspection, provide the person with a written notice, signed and dated, of whether they will be assessed any smoking fees. If no smoking fees will be assessed, the notice would have to include the following statement: "Room has been cleared and no smoking charges will be assessed."

An owner, manager, agent, or individual in charge of a hotel who violates the act is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for 30 to 60 days, a fine of \$25 to \$50, or both.

Proposed MCL 427.3a

FISCAL IMPACT:

House Bill 4903 would have no fiscal impact on the state or on local units of government.

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