

**MICHIGAN'S MINING FUTURE COMMITTEE (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 47 of 2019**

\*\*\*\*\* 319.162.new *THIS NEW SECTION IS EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 6, 2019* \*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\* 319.162.new *THIS SECTION IS REPEALED BY ACT 47 OF 2019 EFFECTIVE JANUARY 4, 2022.*

*See MCL 319.165* \*\*\*\*\*

**319.162.new Michigan's mining future committee; creation; membership; appointment; removal; quorum; public meetings; writings; compensation.**

Sec. 2. (1) The committee on Michigan's mining future is created within the department of environment, Great Lakes, and energy.

(2) The committee shall consist of the following members:

(a) Ten members appointed by the governor as follows:

(i) A member of a local chapter of an international steel workers union representing workers at an ongoing ferrous mining operation in this state or workers from an idled ferrous mining operation in this state.

(ii) A member representing a ferrous mining operation in this state.

(iii) A member representing a metallic nonferrous mining operation in this state.

(iv) A member representing an aggregate mining operation in this state.

(v) Two members, each representing an environmental nonprofit organization in this state, with expertise in mining.

(vi) Two current or former research faculty members at a university in this state that hold a master's or doctorate degree in mining or geology.

(vii) A member representing a municipality in this state where a ferrous, metallic nonferrous, or aggregate mining operation is located.

(viii) A resident of this state who is a member of a federally recognized Indian tribe that has trust lands in this state.

(b) The directors of the following, or their designees:

(i) The Michigan economic development corporation, as defined in section 4 of the Michigan strategic fund act, 1984 PA 270, MCL 125.2004.

(ii) The department of natural resources.

(iii) The department of environment, Great Lakes, and energy.

(c) A designee of each of the following:

(i) The state senator for the senate district with the highest production from metallic mineral mines in this state in the calendar year preceding the year in which the appointment is made.

(ii) The state representative for the house district with the highest production from metallic mineral mines in this state in the calendar year preceding the year in which the appointment is made.

(3) The members first appointed to the committee under subsection (2)(a) shall be appointed within 30 days after the effective date of this act.

(4) If a vacancy occurs on the committee for a position under subsection (2)(a) or (c), the vacancy shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment.

(5) The governor may remove a member of the committee appointed under subsection (2)(a) or (4) for incompetence, dereliction of duty, malfeasance, misfeasance, or nonfeasance in office, or any other good cause.

(6) The first meeting of the committee shall be called by the director of the department of environment, Great Lakes, and energy or his or her designee. At the first meeting, the committee shall elect from among its members a chairperson and other officers as it considers necessary or appropriate. After the first meeting, the committee shall meet at least quarterly, or more frequently at the call of the chairperson or if requested by 3 or more members.

(7) A majority of the members of the committee constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at a meeting of the committee. A majority of the members present and serving are required for official action of the committee.

(8) The business that the committee may perform shall be conducted at a public meeting of the committee held in compliance with the open meetings act, 1976 PA 267, MCL 15.261 to 15.275. A writing prepared, owned, used, in the possession of, or retained by the committee in the performance of an official function is subject to the freedom of information act, 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.231 to 15.246.

(9) Members of the committee shall serve without compensation. However, members of the committee may be reimbursed for their actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties as members of the committee.

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