



**House
Legislative
Analysis
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THE APPARENT PROBLEM:

Several statutes contain references to the energy administration of the Department of Commerce, references that have become obsolete with the absorption of the energy administration by the Michigan Public Service Commission. The commission has also identified another provision as outmoded, one that refers to the regulation of telephone equipment, which is no longer regulated.

THE CONTENT OF THE BILL:

House Bill 4155 would amend Public Act 72 of 1883 (MCL 484.51), which regulates telegraph and telephone companies, to delete references to the use and rental of telephone equipment, which other legislation has deregulated.

House Bills 4774-4775 and House Bills 5008-5010 would delete obsolete references to the energy administration in the Department of Commerce and replace them with references to the Michigan Public Service Commission. House Bill 4774 would amend the School Code (MCL 380.1274a). House Bill 4775 would amend the Community College Act (MCL 389.122a). House Bill 5008 would amend the state energy emergency act (MCL 10.81 and 10.82) and would also reduce the energy advisory committee to six members from seven by removing the director of the energy administration. House Bill 5009 would amend Chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes of 1846 (MCL 41.75b) which deals with townships and township officers. House Bill 5010 would amend the home rule cities act (MCL 117.5f) These acts generally require the reporting of certain energy conservation improvements to state energy officials.

DELETE OBSOLETE REFERENCES

House Bill 4155 as introduced
Sponsor: Rep. David M. Gubow

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House Bills 4774-4775 as introduced
Sponsor: Rep. Jerry C. Bartnik

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House Bills 5008-5010 as introduced
Sponsor: Rep. Robert DeMars

Committee: Public Utilities
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FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

The bills would remove outdated provisions and, according to the PSC, would not alter current practices. (1-31-90)

ARGUMENTS:

For:

The bills would delete current statutory language that has been identified as obsolete.

POSITIONS:

The Public Service Commission supports the bills. (1-31-90)

H.B. 4155, 4774 & 4775 (2-6-90)