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ENERGY CONSERVATION REPORTS TO PSC

House Bills 4318-4320 as introduced
First Analysis (3-14-89)

Sponsor: Rep. Alma Stallworth
Committee: Public Utilities

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THE APPARENT PROBLEM:

A series of Public Acts in 1984 allowed various kind of governmental units to finance energy conservation improvements for their facilities by installment contract or by issuing notes (known as "energy conservation notes"). The local units are required to make reports to the energy administration within the Department of Commerce. However, the energy administration no longer exists as such: Executive Order 1986-17 merged the energy administration into the Public Service Commission, effective January 1, 1987. Amendments to the various statutes are necessary for the laws to reflect this current administrative structure.

THE CONTENT OF THE BILL:

House Bills 4318 through 4320 would require various governmental units to make energy conservation reports to the Public Service Commission rather than the energy administration.

House Bill 4318 would amend the act governing general law villages (MCL 68.36). House Bill 4319 would amend the act governing home rule villages (MCL 78.24b). House Bill 4320 would amend the act governing county board of commissioners. (MCL 46.11c).

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

According to the Public Service Commission, the bills would have no fiscal implications. (3-8-89)

ARGUMENTS:

For:

The bills would replace various obsolete references to the energy administration with references to the Public Service Commission, the agency which absorbed the energy administration on January 1, 1987.

POSITIONS:

The Public Service Commission supports the bills. (3-8-89)

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