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AIRPORT: DNR TO ASSESS IMPACT

House Bill 4899

Sponsor: Rep. William R. Bryant, Jr.

Committee: Transportation

Complete to 8-28-91

A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4899 AS INTRODUCED 6-4-91

The Michigan Aeronautics Code permits a political subdivision of the state, upon approval by the state aeronautics commission, to accept federal or other assistance for acquiring, building, maintaining, equipping or operating airports and their facilities. The bill would amend the act to specify that the commission could not accept or permit a political subdivision to accept federal funds, nor could the commission approve the use of funds from any other source, to build a new airport facility or expand an old one until the Department of Natural Resources completed an environmental impact statement on the proposed plans for the work. Further, a copy of the impact statement would have to be in the possession of the commission for at least 15 days, and each commissioner would have to have a copy for at least 10 days, before funds could be approved. The impact statement would have to show the effects that building or expansion of an airport would or could have on noise, air, water or ground pollution, and would have to indicate other environmental factors which could affect human health and safety or property values in each political subdivision that could be affected by the proposed project.

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