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**ARSON: NO PAROLE**

House Bills 4043 and 4356  
Sponsor: Rep. Joseph Young, Jr.  
Committee: Judiciary

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**A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILLS 4043 AND 4356 AS INTRODUCED**

The bills would impose a penalty of life in prison without parole for arson that caused a death. House Bill 4356 could not take effect unless House Bill 4043 was enacted. House Bill 4043, however, is tie-barred to House Bill 4044, which is virtually identical to House Bill 4356 and is in the House Committee on Corrections.

House Bill 4043 would amend the Michigan Penal Code (MCL 750.73a) to specify that a person who willfully or maliciously burned a building or other real property, causing the death of a person, would be guilty of a felony to be punished by life in prison without parole. The prison term could not be suspended.

House Bill 4356 would amend the corrections code (MCL 791.234) to make it consistent with House Bill 4043 and exempt prisoners sentenced under House Bill 4043 from provisions on parole.

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