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House Bill 4656 (Substitute S-1 as reported)
Sponsor: Representative Gerald Law
House Committee: Judiciary and Civil Rights
Senate Committee: Agriculture and Forestry

CONTENT

The bill would amend Chapter 47 of the Revised Judicature Act, which provides for the seizure and forfeiture of property that was the instrumentality or proceeds of certain criminal activities, to include the Michigan Penal Code's animal fighting violations within the list of crimes subject to forfeiture proceedings.

The bill is tie-barred to House Bill 4655 and would take effect on January 1, 1996.

MCL 600.4701

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FISCAL IMPACT

House Bills 4655 (S-1) and 4656 (S-1) would likely have a minimal fiscal impact, if any, on State and local government. The addition of community service as a sanctioning option for violators could increase supervision costs at the local and/or State level. The additional fines also could generate additional revenue. There are no reliable data at present, however, that might indicate how many offenders might be subject to the increased penalties in House Bill 4655 (S-1).

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