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Senate Bill 303 (as introduced 2-16-99)
Sponsor: Senator Joe Young, Jr.
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CONTENT

The bill would amend the Legislative Council Act to require the Legislative Council, beginning January 1, 2001, to make available to the public on the Internet the text of the Michigan Register.

The Legislative Council could not charge a fee for providing the Michigan Register on the Internet. The bill specifies that it would not alter or relinquish any copyright or other proprietary interest or entitlement of the State relating to any of the information made available in the Michigan Register on the Internet. The information that was maintained by the Council would have to be made available in the shortest feasible time after it was available; information not maintained by the Council would have to be made available in the shortest feasible time after it was made available to the Council.

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Legislative Analyst: G. Towne

FISCAL IMPACT

The revenue generated from the sale of the Michigan Register totaled \$45,400 in FY 1997-98. Providing the information free of charge on the Internet would have an impact on the revenue generated by the sale of the Michigan Register, if sales of the book were affected.

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