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House Bills 5582 and 5633 (as passed by the House)

Sponsor: Representative David Mead (House Bill 5582)

Representative Paul Tesanovich (House Bill 5633)

House Committee: Conservation and Outdoor Recreation

Senate Committee: Government Operations

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CONTENT

The bills would amend separate statutes to delete provisions regarding the promulgation of agricultural rules.

<u>House Bill 5582</u> would amend Public Act 313 of 1929, which provides for the control and eradication of white pine blister rust, to delete language that requires the Agriculture Commissioner to enforce the measures specified in the Act for the control of this pest; empowers the Commissioner to make rules and procedures necessary to carry out the Act; and requires State departments cooperating with the Department of Agriculture to promulgate rules and regulations in harmony with those promulgated by that Department. Under the bill, the Department would be required to enforce and administer the measures specified in the Act, and all State departments would be required to cooperate with the Department to control and eradicate white pine blister rust.

<u>House Bill 5633</u> would amend Public Act 162 of 1955, which provides for the licensure and inspection of agricultural liming material, to delete language that empowers the Director of the Department of Agriculture to prescribe and enforce rules and regulations relating to the sale of liming materials.

MCL 286.102 (H.B. 5582) 290.538 (H.B. 5633)

FISCAL IMPACT

The bills would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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