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REGULATION OF AQUATIC SPECIES

House Bill 4737

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Committee: Conservation and Outdoor

Recreation

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4737 AS INTRODUCED 5-8-01

The bill would amend the Aquaculture Development Act to specify that the Department of Agriculture (DOA) would have to consult with the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) on the DOA's procedures and policies pertaining to each of the following:

- The importation of aquatic species.
- The transportation of aquatic species.
- The establishment of a protocol for reporting and tracking the importing and transporting of aquatic species.

In addition, the departments would have to jointly prepare an annual report to the legislature on the implemention of these procedures and policies. (<u>Note</u>. Under the bill, "aquatic species" would mean that term as defined in the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act [NREPA] under the provisions of House Bill 4150, which would codify provisions relating to aquatic species conservation [MCL 324.48101].)

MCL 286.872 and 286.873

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