

Legislative Analysis



FRUIT AND VEGETABLE MARKETING

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House Bill 5160 (Substitute H-1)

Sponsor: Rep. Joel Sheltrown

Committee: Agriculture

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5160 AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE 11-1-05

Public Act 153 of 1975 provides for the payment of marketing fees by grower-members of a fruit or vegetable cooperative marketing association established under Public Act 327 of 1931. The act says that the Department of Agriculture may receive complaints alleging a violation and, upon investigation, hold a hearing with a hearing officer appointed by the director of the department. Under the bill, the hearing officer would be appointed by the director of the State Office of Administrative Hearings and Rules (SOAHR). In addition, the bill would repeal the department's rule-making authority under the act.

MCL 290.692

FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill would have no apparent fiscal impact on the state or local governmental units.

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