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Senate Bill 256 (as reported without amendment)

Sponsor: Senator Mike Kowall Committee: Economic Development

## **CONTENT**

The bill would amend the Michigan Supply Chain Management Development Commission Act to replace the Michigan Supply Chain Management Development Commission with the Commission for Logistics and Supply Chain Collaboration; revise the membership of the Commission; modify the Commission's responsibilities; and allow the Commission to be funded with State funds. The bill also would change the name of the Act to the "Commission for Logistics and Supply Chain Collaboration Act".

The current Commission is in the Department of Treasury. The proposed Commission would be the Michigan Strategic Fund. The Commission would have to consist of the president of the Michigan Strategic Fund, or his or her designee; the Director of the Department of Transportation, or his or her designee; the Director of the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development, or his or her designee; one Michigan resident appointed by the Governor from a list of four or more individuals selected by the Senate Majority leader and one from a list of four or more individuals selected by the Speaker of the House; and five individuals appointed by the Governor. All of the appointed members would have to have education in, experience with, or knowledge of supply chain management and logistics.

The Act requires the Commission to study and design programs to provide incentives and otherwise support these industries through workforce development, recruitment, marketing, tax incentives, and other activities. The bill would refer to business development, rather than tax incentives. The Commission's current responsibilities also include recommending to the Governor and the Legislature changes to the State's tax structure to make Michigan competitive with other jurisdictions. The bill would delete that provision.

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## **FISCAL IMPACT**

The bill would authorize the use of State funds for the operation of the proposed Commission for Logistics and Supply Chain Collaboration, which would be established in the Michigan Strategic Fund to replace the Michigan Supply Chain Management Development Commission. This would have a minimal impact on the cost of State government. The bill would not make an appropriation; thus, use of State funds for the proposed Commission, such as for staff support, would come from the existing resources of the Michigan Strategic Fund.

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