

# Legislative Analysis

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## **LAKE TROUT COMMERCIAL FISHING**

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**Senate Bill 1145 (S-1) as passed by the Senate**

**Sponsor: Sen. Tom Casperson**

**House Committee: Tourism and Outdoor Recreation**

**Senate Committee: Natural Resources**

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### **SUMMARY:**

Senate Bill 1145 would amend the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act to allow the commercial fishing of lake trout in Lake Superior and Lake Michigan. (Sports fishing for lake trout is currently permitted, within seasons and limits as provided by rule.)

Specifically, the bill would rescind rules R 299.771 and R 299.791 of the Michigan Administrative Code. Those rules have respectively prohibited the commercial fishing of lake trout in Lake Superior since 1962 and in Lake Michigan since 1965.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

Senate Bill 1145 is unlikely to affect costs or revenues for the Department of Natural Resources or local units of government.

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