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Senate Bill 1136 (Substitute S-1 as reported)
Sponsor: Senator Dave Robertson
Committee: Natural Resources

CONTENT

The bill would rename Part 414 (Aquatic Invasive Species Advisory Council) of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act to Part 414 (Aquatic Invasive Species). The bill also would amend Part 414 to do the following:

- Require the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to establish an inland lake aquatic invasive plant species control and eradication program.
- Require the program to provide grants to eligible applicants for eligible projects to control and eradicate inland lake aquatic invasive plant species.
- Prescribe requirements for eligible applicants and eligible projects for the program.
- Create the "Inland Lake Aquatic Invasive Plant Species Control and Eradication Fund" within the State Treasury for inland lake aquatic invasive plant species control or eradication grants.

Proposed MCL 324.41401 et al.

Legislative Analyst: Nathan Leaman

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have a potentially negative fiscal impact on the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and no fiscal impact on local units of government. The bill would create the Inland Lake Aquatic Invasive Plant Species Control and Eradication Fund, and would require the Fund to be used to provide grants for eradication and control of aquatic invasive plant species. There currently is no appropriation for these grants, nor does the bill provide a revenue source for the Fund. Absent an appropriation, the DEQ would have to fund an unspecified amount of these grants from existing resources.

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