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House Bill 4227 (Substitute S-1 as reported) Sponsor: Representative Sara Cambensy

House Committee: Natural Resources and Outdoor Recreation

Senate Committee: Natural Resources

CONTENT

The bill would enact a new law to do the following:

- -- Create the "Committee on Michigan's Mining Future" within the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (DEGLE).
- -- Require the Committee to consist of ten members appointed by the Governor; one member from the State Senate and one member from the State House of Representatives; and the Directors of the Michigan Economic Development Corporation, Department of Natural Resources, and DEGLE, or their respective designees.
- -- Require the Committee to evaluate government policies that affect the mining and minerals industry and recommend actions to strengthen and develop a sustainable, more diversified mining and minerals industry while protecting the State's environment and natural resources.
- -- Require the Committee to submit a report on its work to the Governor, the Legislature, the State's United States Senators, and members of the State's United States congressional delegation.
- -- Dissolve the Committee 60 days after the report was submitted.
- -- Repeal the law 90 days after the deadline for the submission of the report.

Legislative Analyst: Nathan Leaman

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have a small, but likely negative, fiscal impact on the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (DEGLE) and no fiscal impact on local units of government. Under the bill, members of the Committee on Michigan's Mining Future could be reimbursed for costs incurred while carrying out their official duties. The extent of increased costs would depend upon the amount of administrative and technical support needed for the Committee to carry out its duties. Absent additional appropriations, existing DEGLE staff resources would bear these expenses.

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