

Legislative Analysis



NOTICE TO LEGISLATURE CONCERNING INFECTED OR INFESTED PLANTS AND TREES

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House Bill 6199 as introduced
Sponsor: Rep. Julie Alexander
Committee: Oversight
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SUMMARY:

House Bill 6199 would amend 1945 PA 72, which pertains to protecting trees, shrubs, vines, plants, and fruits from dangerous insects or infectious diseases. If upon examination destructive insects or dangerously infectious diseases are apparent, a written notice must be served on the owner by the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (MDARD) with recommendations. The act also requires, and provides a procedure for, notification to landowners in Michigan where neglected, abandoned, or semi-abandoned fruit trees are growing for the trees to be cut and destroyed.

The bill would add that, within 24 hours after issuing a notice described above, the director of MDARD or his or her agent must notify the Senate and House of Representatives in writing.

MCL 286.251 and 286.255

FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill would have no material fiscal impact on state or local government.

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