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Senate Bill 663 (as introduced 11-9-23)

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CONTENT

The bill would amend Part 31 (Water Resources Protection) of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act to delete a provision prohibiting the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) from promulgating rules to carry out its duties under Part 31 after December 31, 2006.

Generally, Part 31 requires EGLE to protect and conserve Michigan's water resources and control the pollution of the State's surface or underground water, as well as the Great Lakes.

The Department may promulgate rules as it considers necessary to carry out its duties; however, the Act prohibits EGLE from promulgating any additional rules under Part 31 after December 31, 2006. Rules promulgated under Part 31 before January 1, 2007, have and will remain in effect unless rescinded. The bill would delete these provisions.

MCL 324.3103 Legislative Analyst: Nathan Leaman

FISCAL IMPACT

As the language of the bill is permissive, there would be no mandatory fiscal impact on the State or local units of government.

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