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Senate Bill 269 (as introduced 4-29-25) Sponsor: Senator Darrin Camilleri

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CONTENT

The bill would amend Chapter VII of the Aeronautics Code to exempt Federal funds awarded to Detroit Metro Wayne County Airport (DTW) from the requirement that an airport's authority designate the Michigan Aeronautics Commission (Commission) as its agent to accept, receive, receipt for, or disburse any Federal funds granted to acquire, maintain, or improve airports, landing fields, or other aeronautical facilities.

Currently, the Code requires a political subdivision of the State to designate the Commission as its agent so that the Commission may, accept, receive, receipt for, and disburse Federal funds for its aeronautical facilities on the political subdivision's behalf. An agreement to this end entered by a political subdivision and the Commission must prescribe the terms and conditions of the agency in accordance with Federal laws, rules, and regulations, as well as applicable State law. Federal funds must be channeled through the State Treasury and disbursed for and on behalf of the political subdivision under the terms and conditions of the respective grants. The disbursements must be made in accordance with State accounting laws and procedures.

The bill would exempt Federal funds granted to a qualified airport from these provisions, unless applicable Federal laws or regulations prohibited the direct acceptance or receipt by, or disbursement to, a qualified airport. ("Qualified airport" means an airport, other than a military airport, that has 10.0 million or more enplanements in any 12-month period.¹)

MCL 259.135

PREVIOUS LEGISLATION

(This section does not provide a comprehensive account of previous legislative efforts on this subject matter.)

The bill is a reintroduction of Senate Bill 869 of the 2023-2024 Legislative Session.

Legislative Analyst: Abby Schneider

FISCAL IMPACT

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

Fiscal Analyst: Bobby Canell

¹ Generally, enplanement is the process of a passenger boarding an airplane. According to Federal Aviation Administration data, DTW is the only qualified airport in the State, with approximately 15.4 million enplanements in calendar year 2023. SAS\S2526\s269sa

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