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BILL ANALYSIS

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House Bill 4824 through 4826 (as reported without amendment)

Sponsor: Representative Donovan McKinney (H.B. 4824)

Representative Jenn Hill (H.B. 4825)

Representative Sharon MacDonell (H.B. 4826)

House Committee: Natural Resources, Environment, Tourism and Outdoor Recreation

Senate Committee: Regulatory Affairs

CONTENT

House Bill 4826 would repeal Sections 65 and 66 of the Administrative Procedures Act (APA). Section 65 of the APA establishes the Environmental Rules Review Committee (ERRC) and prescribes its powers, duties, and purpose. Section 66 of the Act prescribes procedures for the review and approval of environmental rules by the ERRC

House Bill 4824 would amend Part 201 (Environmental Remediation) of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act to remove references to the sections of the APA that establish the ERRC.

House Bill 4825 would amend the State Police Retirement Act to remove references to the sections of the APA that establish the ERRC.

MCL 324.20120a (H.B. 4824)
38.1666 (H.B. 4825)
24.233 et al. (H.B. 4826)

BRIEF RATIONALE

Generally, the ERRC consists of several departmental directors and other members with subject-area expertise. According to testimony, the rule-making process by the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) would be faster and more efficient if it were not overseen by the ERRC. Some believe that the input provided by the ERRC is too generalized, while EGLE's stakeholder input has more expertise related to the unique issues taken up before EGLE. It has been suggested that a more efficient rule-making process would better allow the State to protect public health and the environment.

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FISCAL IMPACT

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

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