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**ACCOUNTANCY SOLE PROPRIETORS**

**House Bill 4892 as introduced**
**Sponsor: Rep. Steve Frisbie**
**Committee: Finance**
**Complete to 10-27-25**

**SUMMARY:**

House Bill 4892 would amend the Occupational Code to provide that an individual who is licensed in Michigan as a certified public accountant (CPA) and operates a sole proprietorship with an office in Michigan does not have to obtain a license to operate an accounting firm to engage in the practice of public accounting in Michigan.

The code generally requires a firm that establishes or maintains an office in Michigan to obtain a Michigan license to engage in the practice of public accounting, and it provides requirements that such a firm must meet in applying for licensure.

Under the bill, those accountancy firm licensure provisions would not apply to an individual licensed as a CPA in Michigan who operates a sole proprietorship with an office in the state.

MCL 339.724 and 339.728

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

House Bill 4892 would have an indeterminate fiscal impact on the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA). The bill would no longer require licensed accountants operating a sole proprietorship to also hold an accountancy firm license. LARA would likely need to process and oversee fewer firm licenses, which could save staff time. Fewer firm licenses would also result in less license fee revenue collected. The number of currently licensed accountants who would no longer need to hold a firm license is unknown, so an estimate of the revenue and cost impacts is not available.

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