

# Legislative Analysis

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**House Bill 5118 as introduced**  
**Sponsor: Rep. Michele Hoytenga**  
**Committee: Communications and Technology**  
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### SUMMARY:

House Bill 5118 would amend the Unmanned Aircraft Systems Act (UASA) to require the Michigan Aeronautics Commission, Department of State Police, and Unmanned Aircraft Systems Task Force to negotiate an agreement with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to allow certain Michigan law enforcement personnel to enforce federal statutes and regulations relating to the operation of unmanned aircraft systems in Michigan.

More specifically, the bill would create a new section to require the Michigan Aeronautics Commission (created under the Michigan Aeronautics Code, MCL 259.26), Department of State Police, and Unmanned Aircraft Systems Task Force (created under the UASA, MCL 259.331)<sup>1</sup> to cooperate with each other and negotiate a memorandum of understanding or other agreement with the FAA. The agreement would be to allow the Department of State Police, local law enforcement agencies, and security personnel for ports, railroads, and airports in Michigan to enforce federal statutes and regulations relating to the operation of unmanned aircraft systems in Michigan.

The bill would take effect 90 days after enactment.

Proposed MCL 259.330

### FISCAL IMPACT:

This bill would have no fiscal impact on the Department of State Police or local law enforcement agencies.

A representative of the Michigan Department of Transportation, Office of Aeronautics, indicated that the bill would have no fiscal impact on the department.

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<sup>1</sup> The task force currently comprises 27 members from various sectors and industries within Michigan, including one member from the Department of State Police (MCL 259.331(2)(c)).