

Legislative Analysis



COMPOSITION OF NATURAL RESOURCES TRUST FUND BOARD

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House Bill 5829 as introduced
Sponsor: Rep. Sara Cambensy
Committee: Natural Resources and Outdoor Recreation
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SUMMARY:

House Bill 5829 would amend Part 19 (Natural Resources Trust Fund) of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act to revise the composition the trust fund board.

Now and under the bill, the board is composed of five members: the director of the Department of Natural Resources or a member of the Commission of Natural Resources, as well as four Michigan residents appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the Senate.

However, under the bill, beginning with the first appointment to the board after the bill took effect, at least one of the appointed members would have to be a resident of a county with a population of less than 100,000. (Sixty-three of Michigan's 83 counties have a population of less than 100,000.¹)

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FISCAL IMPACT:

House Bill 5829 is not likely to affect costs or revenues for the Department of Natural Resources or local governments.

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¹ <https://www.senate.michigan.gov/sfa/Economics/MichiganPopulationByCounty.PDF>