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## BILL ANALYSIS



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Senate Bill 1172 (as reported without amendment)

Sponsor: Senator Sue Shink

Committee: Natural Resources and Agriculture

**CONTENT**

The bill would amend Part 124 (Agricultural Labor Camps) of the Public Health Code to require a license for an agricultural labor camp to be valid for the occupancy period stated on the face of the license, as determined by the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (MDARD).

MCL 333.12413

**BRIEF RATIONALE**

Generally, agricultural labor camps are tracts of land and all tents, vehicles, and structures used as living quarters for migratory laborers engaged in agricultural activities. They are licensed under the Code. According to testimony before the Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Agriculture, a license lasts for the duration of the calendar year in which it was bought. Some people have concern that licenses granted in the spring or summer may not account for needs for occupancy in the winter. Accordingly, it has been suggested to allow MDARD to specify the occupancy period of a labor camp license to ensure workers are receiving adequate heating and plumbing, among other things during the winter months.

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**FISCAL IMPACT**

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

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