

Legislative Analysis



EXPAND ELIGIBILITY FOR PLANNING COMMISSIONS

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House Bill 5119 as introduced
Sponsor: Rep. Annette Glenn
Committee: Local Government and Municipal Finance
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SUMMARY:

House Bill 5119 would amend the Michigan Planning Enabling Act to expand eligibility for membership on *planning commissions* to allow *volunteers*, police officers, fire fighters, and medical first responders of a local unit of government to serve on that local unit's planning commission.

Planning commissions are commissions empowered by the act to recommend the borders of zoning districts and appropriate regulations to be enforced within those districts. A county, city, village, or township can create a planning commission.

For purposes of the bill, *volunteer* would mean an appointment or employment for which an individual receives no compensation for work provided, or an appointment or employment for which an individual receives compensation in the form of reasonable expenses incurred during the course of the appointment or employment or other reasonable benefits, such as length of service awards or nominal fees.

MCL 125.3803 and 125.3815

FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill would have no fiscal impact on state or local units of government.

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