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BILL ANALYSIS

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House Bills 5716 through 5722 (as reported without amendment)
Sponsor: Representative Gilda Z. Jacobs (H.B. 5716)
Representative Alexander C. Lipsey (H.B. 5717 & 5718)
Representative Wayne Kuipers (H.B. 5719-5721)
Representative Bruce Patterson (H.B. 5722)
House Committee: House Oversight and Operations
Senate Committee: Government Operations

CONTENT

House Bills 5716 through 5719 would amend the following statutes to remove references to the Auditor General:

- Public Act 230 of 1941, which allows the Auditor General to sell or lease certain real estate granted or given to the State (House Bill 5716).
- Public Act 197 of 1883, which provides for the disposition of certain lands granted to the State for railroad purposes by acts of Congress (House Bill 5717).
- The Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act (House Bill 5718).
- Public Act 16 of the 1st Extra Session of 1942, which pertains to the receipt of grants from the Federal government for public schools (House Bill 5719).

House Bill 5220 (H-1) would repeal Sections 10, 12, 14, and 16 of Public Act 116 of 1893, which provides for the maintenance and management of the Michigan School for the Deaf. Section 10 requires certain inventory records to be kept by the school's board, and filed with the Auditor General. Section 12 authorizes the board to draw money from the State General Fund "as shall be made to appear to the Auditor General to be necessary...". Section 14 pertains to the payment of board members' expenses by the Auditor General. Section 16 allows the board to grant to poor students up to \$60 per year for clothing and other necessities, as issued by the Auditor General.

House Bill 5721 (H-1) would repeal Sections 9 and 10 of Public Act 123 of 1893, which provides for the maintenance and supervision of the Michigan School for the Blind. Section 9 requires the Secretary of State to compile a list of all blind children in the State; requires parents, under certain circumstances, to send their blind children to the school; and requires the Auditor General to make payments for certain transportation expenses. Section 10 allows the school's board to grant to poor students up to \$50 per year for clothing and other necessities, as issued by the Auditor General.

House Bill 5722 would delete references to the Auditor General from the General Property Tax Act.

MCL 322.1 et al. (H.B. 5716)
322.460 (H.B. 5717)
324.33934 et al. (H.B. 5718)
388.803 (H.B. 5719)
393.60 et al. (H.B. 5720)
393.109 & 393.110 (H.B. 5721)
211.35 et al. (H.B. 5722)

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FISCAL IMPACT

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

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