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BILL ANALYSIS

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House Bills 5197 and 5198 (as reported without amendment)
Sponsor: Representative Matt Maddock
House Committee: Local Government and Municipal Finance
Ways and Means
Senate Committee: Local Government

CONTENT

House Bill 5197 would amend the Records Reproduction Act to allow a municipality to reproduce a construction document in an electronic or digital file format and dispose of the original if it did not pertain to a historic site and other conditions were met.

House Bill 5198 would amend Section 491 of the Michigan Penal Code to require that document disposal comply with the requirements proposed under House Bill 5197.

House Bills 5197 and 5198 are tie-barred.

MCL 24.401 et al. (H.B. 5197)
750.491 (H.B. 5198)

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FISCAL IMPACT

House Bill 5197 would have no fiscal impact on the State. It would have an indeterminate fiscal impact on local units of government, but since the provisions of the bill would be permissive, they likely would be used only by local units that determined them to be beneficial. To the extent that digital conversion and storage costs were lower than physical storage costs, local governments would see a positive fiscal impact. The cost of physically reproducing documents upon request could be recouped by charging a reasonable fee.

House Bill 5198 would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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