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House Bill 4852 (as discharged)
Sponsor: Representative Carrie Rheingans
House Committee: Agriculture
Senate Committee: Government Operations (discharged)

CONTENT

The bill would enact a new law to designate manoomin (*Zizania palustris* and *Zizania aquatica*), also known as Michigan wild rice, as the official native grain of Michigan. The bill states that "Manoomin is a sacred and important component to many wetlands and has a cultural significance to the indigenous people of this state".

PREVIOUS LEGISLATION

(This section does not provide a comprehensive account of previous legislative efforts on this subject matter.)

The bill is a reintroduction of Senate Bill 802 from the 2021-2022 Legislative Session. Senate Bill 802 was reported by the Senate Committee on Agriculture but received no further action.

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FISCAL IMPACT

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

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