

# House Watch

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## FINAL PASSAGE

### [HB 5127](#)

(Simpson)

HB 5127 would impose and enforce farm animal care regulations on agricultural producers, and impose fees on farms sufficient to pay for this new regulatory regime. At first the regulations would be those created by producer organizations, but the Department of Agriculture would have the power to create and enforce its own. The department would be empowered to impose a “a progressive enforcement mechanism” on violators to bring about compliance.

- Substitute H-4 was adopted.
- Amendment 2-A was adopted
- HB 5127 was advanced to 3<sup>rd</sup> reading.
- HB 5127 was passed [RC 443: 87 yes, 20 no]
- IE was ordered.

### [SB 480](#)

(Kahn)

SB 480 would reduce an earmark of revenue from the Michigan Business Tax to the School Aid Fund by the amount of use tax levied and collected on certain welfare medical services.

- SB 480 was advanced to 3<sup>rd</sup> reading.
- SB 480 was passed [RC 444: 106 yes, 1 no]
- IE was ordered.

### [HB 5223](#)

(Bennett)

HB 5223 would give the Department of Environmental Quality authority to increase storm water discharge permit fees at the rate of inflation, with no further authorization required from the legislature.

- Espinoza-1 was adopted.
- HB 5223 was advanced to 3<sup>rd</sup> reading.
- HB 5223 was passed [RC 445: 67 yes, 40 no]
- IE was ordered.

## MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

### HR 156

(Dillon)

A resolution of tribute offered as a memorial for Richard A. Young, former member of the House of Representatives.

- HR 156 was adopted.