



# MICHIGAN SENATE

## Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

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Date Submitted: 01/15/2026

**1. Sponsoring legislator's full name:**

Senator John N. Damoose

**2. Cosponsoring legislators' names (if applicable):**

N/A

**3. Intended legislatively directed spending item recipient:**

Great Lakes Fishery Commission

**4. Physical address of legislatively directed spending item recipient and the intended location of the project or activity:**

2200 Commonwealth Blvd., Suite 100, Ann Arbor, 48105

**5. The recipient's employer identification number:**

381539304

**6. Requested amount of the legislatively directed spending item:**

\$5,000,000.00

**7. What is the purpose and how does the legislatively directed spending item provide a public benefit that is an appropriate use of taxpayer money?**

Funding will be used to create a Great Lakes Habitat Infrastructure Fund to leverage and match available federal funding in support of implementing the Commission's infrastructure strategy, which will ensure effective and efficient delivery of the Commission's programs— including sea lamprey control, science, and fishery management—in preparation to confront socioecological changes for the next 50 to 100 years. The infrastructure strategy will also significantly improve Great Lakes habitat, aquatic connectivity, and ecology, increasing their resiliency

- 8. Has the legislatively directed spending item previously received or been awarded any of the following types of funding in the past 5 years? If so, how much? Check all that apply:**

Federal

**Amount**

\$43,000,000.00

- 9. Estimated time frame for completion of the legislatively directed spending item project:**

10 years

- 10. Is the recipient a nonprofit corporation?**

No

*Additional Information for Nonprofit Corporations (if applicable)*

*The answer to questions 1 to 3 must be "Yes" for the nonprofit corporation to qualify for a legislatively directed spending item.*

- 1. Has the nonprofit corporation continuously operated in this state for the preceding 36 months?**

No

- 2. Has the nonprofit corporation had a physical office in this state for not less than the preceding 12 consecutive months?**

No

- 3. Does the organization have a board of directors?**

No

- 4. List all of the officers and active members on the board of directors:**

N/A

*Certification By Sponsoring Legislator*

*"I certify that my immediate family members, legislative staff members, and I have no direct or indirect pecuniary interest in the requested legislatively directed spending item."*

*"I certify that the intended recipient of this legislatively directed spending item is not a for-profit entity."*

*"I certify that the information in this form is true to the best of my knowledge."*

*Senator John N. Damoose*