



House of Representatives

General Assembly

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House Bill No. 5149

House of Representatives, March 10, 2016

The Committee on Environment reported through REP. ALBIS of the 99th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING BENEFICIAL END USES FOR DISCARDED TIRES AND THE EFFICACY OF TIRE HAULING LICENSES OR PERMITS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) The Commissioner of Energy and
2 Environmental Protection shall identify beneficial end uses for
3 discarded tires in this state that result in the recycling of such tires
4 rather than the burning of such tires for fuel. In identifying such
5 beneficial end uses, the commissioner shall consider, but need not be
6 limited to, the viability of establishing a tire stewardship program that
7 provides for the recycling of discarded tires for the purpose of
8 transforming such discarded tires into such beneficial end uses.
9 Additionally, the commissioner shall obtain information on the
10 efficacy of tire hauler license or permit programs in ensuring that such
11 discarded tires are not illegally dumped and are delivered only to
12 facilities that store, dispose of or use such discarded tires in a manner
13 that protects the public health and the environment. In obtaining such
14 information, the commissioner may consult with the applicable

15 environmental protection, environmental quality or waste
16 management departments of states that require such licenses or
17 permits for tire haulers, including, but not limited to, Michigan,
18 Maryland and Texas. Not later than January 1, 2017, the commissioner
19 shall submit a report, in accordance with section 11-4a of the general
20 statutes, to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly
21 having cognizance of matters relating to the environment. Such report
22 shall include, but need not be limited to, a discussion of any such
23 identified beneficial end uses, data relating to the efficacy of such tire
24 hauler license or permit programs and any recommendations for
25 legislation concerning discarded tires in this state.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

ENV *Joint Favorable*

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OFA Fiscal Note**State Impact:** None**Municipal Impact:** None**Explanation**

The bill requires the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) to: (1) identify the beneficial end uses for discarded tires resulting in recycling, (2) consider the viability of establishing a tire stewardship program, and (3) obtain information on the efficacy of a tire hauler license or permit program. The bill also requires DEEP to submit a report to the Environment Committee by January 1, 2017.

The bill has no fiscal impact. DEEP has already: (1) identified beneficial end uses for discarded tires, including recycling and energy uses, (2) considered the possibility of establishing a tire stewardship program, and (3) obtained information on establishing a tire hauler license or permit program.

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OLR Bill Analysis

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SUMMARY:

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Environment Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 27 Nay 2 (02/24/2016)