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House Bill 4866 (Substitute H-2 as reported without amendment)
Sponsor: Representative William Bobier
House Committee: Appropriations
Senate Committee: Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs

CONTENT

The bill would amend Section 36111 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act (NREPA) to extend from October 1, 1995, to October 1, 1999, the sunset on the use of proceeds from lien payments by landowners who withdraw from the Farmland and Open Space Protection Program. The NREPA allows the Department of Natural Resources to use the proceeds to purchase development rights on certain land areas, and to finance the administration of the program. (The provision originated in the Farmland and Open Space Preservation Act.)

MCL 324.36111

Legislative Analyst: L. Burghardt

FISCAL IMPACT

House Bill 4866 (H-2) would allow continued use of up to \$600,000 in revenue to the State.

According to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR), \$2.4 million in Farmland and Open Space revenue was collected in FY 1993-94. Current law allows the use of up to \$600,000 in this revenue for DNR administrative costs. For FY 1995-96, \$520,500 was appropriated for this program, which represents 100% of the "Farmland and Open Space Preservation" line item.

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