

Office of Federal Grants and Procurement

House Bill 5933 As Introduced

Sponsor: Representative Spade

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SUMMARY OF THE BILL:

House Bill 5933 would amend the Management and Budget Act, 1984 PA 431, by adding a section which would create the Office of Federal Grants and Procurement in the Department of Management and Budget. An administrator of the Office would be appointed by the Governor and the Office would be charged with the following: coordinating activities of state agencies to win competitive federal grants; ensuring grants awarded to the state are administered effectively and efficiently; working closely with state and federal officials to effect grants to the state; assisting local units of government, public universities, community colleges, and community-based organizations in identifying federal grant opportunities and providing them with support; hosting workshops and training that would assist others with grant writing, administration, and evaluation; providing the business community with information regarding federal procurement opportunities; finding creative ways for the federal government to "buy Michigan"; and measuring, tracking, and reporting federal funding on an annual basis.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There would be indeterminate costs to the state for creation of the Office. Costs would depend on the number of people required to carry out the duties and responsibilities of the Office. Typical costs would include staff salaries, benefits, travel, training, education, rent, phones, equipment, office supplies, postage, printing, etc. Also, on-going costs would be incurred in order for the Department to comply with subsection (E) which requires hosting workshops and training that would assist others with grant writing, administration, and evaluation. According to DMB, there would need to be additional staff hired because the requirements of the bill can not be met with existing staff and resources.

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