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Senate Bill 119 (as reported without amendment)

Sponsor: Senator Ed McBroom Committee: Natural Resources

## **CONTENT**

The bill would amend Public Act 163 of 1911, which pertains to the election of mine inspectors, to do the following:

- -- Require a mine inspector to be elected in any county where an operating metallic mineral mine was located.
- -- Prescribe the qualifications for a mine inspector elected in a county where only an abandoned, closed, or idled metallic mineral mine was situated.
- -- Allow a county to designate a mine inspector elected in another county to serve in the requesting county, if the requesting county's mine inspector were unable to serve out his or her term.

MCL 425.101 et al.

## Legislative Analyst: Dana Adams

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

The bill would have no fiscal impact on the State and an indeterminate fiscal impact on local governments. For any county that has no iron or copper mines but has at least one other metallic mineral mine situated, there would be an added expense of holding elections for and paying an inspector of mines and his or her deputies. For any county that currently has an inspector of mines, but where only an abandoned, closed, or idled metallic mineral mines is situated, the requirements for the position would be reduced. The bill could allow a county in that situation to offer lower compensation for the position, which would reduce expenditures by the difference.

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