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GROCERY/CONVENIENCE										
ALCOHOL	SB 82		Alcohol multi-licenses: Would allow an entity to hold both on and off premises licenses simultaneously for both liquor and beer and wine.	Referred to Senate Reg Reform						
	HB 4213		Alcohol serving hours: Would allow a city, township or village to vote to allow on-premise alcohol sales between 2:00-4:00 a.m.	Referred to House Reg Reform					Monitoring	
	HB 4019		Clerk age to sell alcohol: Would allow a 17-year old to sell or serve alcohol. Current law only allows individuals over age 18 to sell or serve alcoholic beverages.	Referred to House Reg Reform						
	SB 296		Population quota limits: Legislation to remove the current population quotas on the number of liquor licenses allowed in communities.	Referred to Senate Reg Reform						
	HB 4112		Pregnancy and alcohol warning sign: Would update a required poster retailers selling alcohol must post warning of the potential problems of drinking alcohol during pregnancy.	Amended and reported by House Reg Reform on 2/26/19 & House Ways and Means on 3/5/19	Passed House 100-10 on 3/12/19	Referred to Senate Reg. Reform			Neutral	MRA secured an amendment to the bill ensuring the posting would be placed on a sign already required to be posted. The bill seems unlikely to move in the Senate.
	HB 4518		Prorated liquor license fees: Legislation to prorate on a quarterly basis the current license fees to make or sell alcohol.	Referred to House Reg Reform					Monitoring	
	SB 349		Small distiller commission sales: Legislation to create a qualified small distiller program for small distillers using 40 percent or more Michigan grown-products to make alcohol. The legislation would require a lower gross profit be returned to the commission (32.5 percent vs the traditional 51-65 percent for other liquor products).	Hearing scheduled for 6/18/19 in Senate Reg Reform					Monitoring	
	HB 4622		Special license liquor return: Legislation to allow special license holders for fairs and festival events to return unused liquor to SDD retailers, IF the retailer choose to allow returns.	Hearing in House Reg Reform on 6/10/19					Neutral	
TOBACCO	SB 58		Cigar tax cap: Would eliminate the current Oct. 31, 2021 sunset capping cigar taxes at no more than 50 cents per individual cigar.	Hearing 4/18/19 in Senate Finance						Reintroduction of legislation from last term vetoed by Gov. Snyder.
	HB 4017		E-cigarette sales to minors: Would ban sales of e-cigarettes and vapor products to individuals under the age of 18 and includes a requirement for online or remote sales to verify age using an independent, third-party age verification service.	Referred to House Reg Reform					Monitoring	After SB 106 & 155 were signed into law, this bill is most likely dead.
	HB 4164		E-cigarette sales to minors: Would ban sales of e-cigarettes and vapor products to individuals under the age of 18. Would increase the penalties for sales to minors or tobacco or vapor products from \$50 per violation to \$100 for a first offense, \$500 for a second offense, and \$2,500 for a third or subsequent offense.	Amended and reported by House Reg Reform on 3/19/19. Hearing in House Judiciary on 4/16/19						After SB 106 & 155 were signed into law, this bill is most likely dead.
	SB 106		E-cigarette sales to minors: Would ban sales of e-cigarettes and vapor products to minors. It would also increase the penalties for selling to \$100 for a first offense, up to \$500 for a second offense and up to \$2,500 for a third or subsequent offense. Minors would be prohibited from purchasing, possessing or using vapor products and would be subject to a \$50 civil fine per incident. For a third violation a minor would receive a misdemeanor and be required to participate in a health and risk assessment program.	Amended and reported by Senate Reg. Reform on 3/20/19	Passed Senate 38-0 on 4/23/19	Reported by House Judiciary on 4/30/19	Passed House 100-9 on 5/15/19	Signed by the governor on 6/4/19	P.A. 18 of 2019 takes effect on 9/2/19	

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OTHER	HB 4461	E-cigarette/cigarette usage by minors: A bill to increase the penalties when minors are caught using or possessing cigarettes, tobacco products, or e-cigarette/vapor products.	Referred to House Reg Reform						Monitoring	After SB 106 & 155 were signed into law, this bill is most likely dead.
	HB 4188	E-cigarette and vapor product taxes: A bill to tax e-cigarettes and vapor products the same as tobacco products. It would add these products to the definition of "smokeless tobacco" beginning Oct. 1, 2019.	Referred to House Reg Reform						Monitoring	After SB 106 & 155 were signed into law, this bill is most likely dead.
	SB 155	Liquid nicotine sales: Would require liquid nicotine containers be sold in child-resistant packaging and require retailers sell these and other vapor products behind the counter. Violating the packaging requirements is a \$50 civil fine and violation of selling the products not behind the counter would be a \$500 civil fine.	Reported by Senate Reg. Reform on 3/20/19	Passed Senate 38-0 on 4/23/19	Reported by House Judiciary on 4/30/19	Passed House 99-10 on 5/15/19	Signed by the governor on 6/4/19	P.A. 17 of 2019 takes effect on 9/2/19		
	HB 4039	Tobacco 21: Would prohibit the sale of tobacco products or paraphernalia to individuals under the age of 21.	Referred to House Reg Reform						Monitoring	
	HB 4040-4041	Tobacco vending machines: Would ban tobacco vending machines as of July 1, 2019.	Referred to House Reg Reform						Monitoring	
OTHER	HB 4500	Repeal statewide preemption on plastic bag ordinances: Legislation that seeks to repeal legislation MRA supported prohibiting local ordinances banning or taxing plastic bags.	Referred to House Local Government							
HUMAN RESOURCES										
BENEFITS	SB 233	\$16 minimum wage: Seeks to create a \$16 minimum wage for individuals with five years relevant experience and a high school diploma.	Referred to Senate Govt. Operations							It is highly improbable that this bill will move, especially given the committee it was referred to.
	HR 25 & SR 16	Min. wage and paid leave change legality: The Michigan legislature passed resolutions asking the Michigan Supreme Court to weigh in on the legality of adopting then amending initiated laws raising the	NA	House approved HR 25 and Senate approved SR 16	NA	NA	NA	NA		This was done in response to a state senator's request for an attorney general opinion on the matter. If the AG weighed in unfavorably, it was expected the matter
	HB 4299	Minimum wage increase: The legislation seeks to restore the timing of the \$12 minimum wage increase prescribed by a ballot proposal last year was introduced as HB 4299.	Referred to House Govt. Operations							It is highly improbable that this bill will move, especially given the committee it was referred to.
	HB 4425	Parental leave: A bill to require employers provide paid parental leave for employees to attend school-related events.	Referred to House Commerce & Tourism						Monitoring	
	HB 4629-4640 & SB 328-339	Pay equity: House and Senate bill packages that seek to address equal pay for men and women.	Referred to House Commerce & Tourism						Monitoring	
	HB 4623	Wage theft: Legislation that would dramatically increase the penalties and restitution owed by employers who have committed wage theft.	Referred to House Commerce & Tourism							This is unlikely to move and would increase the penalties already set in statute by an unreasonable amount.
HIRING PROCESS	HB 4117	Credit history info in hiring process: Would ban the use of credit history in the hiring process unless the employer is a bank, public accounting firm, casino or insurance companies that offer certain insurance products. The legislation would allow an individual to bring a civil suit to obtain damages or relief.	Referred to House Reg Reform						Monitoring	
	HB 4326	Criminal history: Legislation to make it illegal for an employer to request information related an arrest, criminal accusation or criminal convictions of a job applicant before making a conditional offer of employment.	Referred to House Commerce						Monitoring	The bill creates a new act but is unlikely to see legislative action.
	HB 4058	Felony arrest info in hiring process: Would prohibit an employer other than a police agency from requesting, making or maintaining a record of a job applicant's felony arrest or detention. Current law only extends this protection to misdemeanor offenses.	Referred to House Judiciary						Monitoring	

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HB 4262		Homeschool children work permits: Would allow a parent or legal guardian to issue a child who is educated at home via homeschool or other similar arrangement a work permit.	Referred to House Education						No position	
SB 162		Emergency responder work absences: Would allow an employee to be absent from work without fear of punishment if the employee is an emergency responder and the absence was due to an emergency.	Referred to Senate Econ. Dev.						Monitoring	
PHARMACY										
CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES	SB 20-21	Controlled substance delivery causing death: Legislation to ensure violations of controlled substances causing death that violate the Public Health Code are prosecuted locally.	Hearing in Sen. Judiciary on 6/4/19						Monitoring	This would bring Michigan in line with surrounding states, allowing the prosecution to happen where the event occurred.
	HB 4217	E-prescribing: Would require all prescriptions be sent electronically to the pharmacy directly by the prescriber.	House Health Policy hearing on 6/6/19							*MRA PRIORITY*
	SB 248 & SB 254	E-prescribing: Would require all prescriptions be sent electronically to the pharmacy directly by the prescriber.	Amended and reported by Sen. Health Policy on 6/13/19							*MRA PRIORITY* SB 254 was substituted to match the language in SB 248 and they are moving as companion bills in the Senate.
DRUG COST	HB 4154	Manufacturer drug cost transparency: Would require drug manufacturers to file an annual report detailing their expenses related to producing drugs that cost \$10,000 or more for an annual course of treatment.	Referred to House Health Policy						Monitoring	
	HB 4155	PBM regulation: Would add new regulations on Pharmacy Benefit Managers (PBMs).	Referred to House Health Policy						No position	
OTHER	HB 4412	Dextromethorphan sales to minors: Would limit the sale or purchase of cold products that contain dextromethorphan to minors (under 18). Dextromethorphan is typically found in cough syrups. The bill contains penalties for intentionally selling to minors ranging from a warning letter for a first offense to a civil fine of \$100 for a third or subsequent offense. Under the bill, minors who attempt to purchase these products could receive a \$50 civil fine.	Amended and reported by House Health Policy on 5/16/19 & House Ways and Means on 5/21/19	Passed House 104-5 on 5/24/19	Referred to Sen. Health Policy					The committee adopted a Jan. 1, 2020 implementation date.
	HB 4293	Maintenance drug refills: A bill that would ensure patients can receive refills of maintenance medications towards the end of the calendar year.	Referred to House Health Policy						Monitoring	
	HB 4043	Prescription discount cards: The bill would prohibit the sale of prescription discount cards unless they meet a number of new standards. The legislation seeks to clarify that prescription discount card programs are not insurance programs, and it requires a number of disclaimers about the program to consumers.	Referred to House Health Policy						Under review	MRA has a meeting scheduled with the bill sponsor to determine what problem the legislation seeks to address.
	SB 170	Pseudoephedrine limits: Legislation to lower the current allowable monthly limit of pseudoephedrine an individual can purchase from 9 grams to 7.2 grams as well as setting a 61.2-gram annual limit.	Referred to Senate Health Policy							
	SB 340	Telepharmacy: Legislation to allow telepharmacies to operate in Michigan.	Amended and reported by Sen. Health Policy on 6/13/19							The bills currently include a 10-mile radius between a telepharmacy and other pharmacies. MRA prefers no radius and opposes expansion of the radius.
REGULATIONS										
	SB 310	Cash sales: Would prohibit retailers from refusing to accept cash for any sale. Doing so would be a violation of the Consumer Protection Act.	Referred to Sen. Reg Reform						Monitoring with concerns	Many retailers have a minimum sale requirement for purchases with credit due to high credit card fees.

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SALES	HB 4035	Dog breed bans: Bipartisan legislation that would prohibit a local ordinance, policy, resolution or rule that limits the possession of certain dogs based on breed or perceived breed.	Referred to House Local Government							
	HB 4126-4127	Marijuana warning label: Would require health warning labels on products containing marijuana that are sold in Michigan. The warning labels would be required on both medical and recreational marijuana products.	Referred to House Judiciary						Monitoring	
	HB 4580	Money orders: Would require the posting the fees for money orders and money transfer services in 36-point font.	Referred to House Reg Reform							MRA has opposed this legislation in the past and will continue to do so.
	HB 4020	Stun guns: Legislation that would allow the purchase and possession of stun guns by individuals over age 21. It would only not apply to a launchable device like the tasers police officers use.	Referred to House Judiciary						Monitoring	
	HB 4205	Tanning ban for minors: Would prohibit minors from being able to use tanning facilities. Each violation would carry a \$150 fine for the owner of the tanning business.	Referred to House Reg Reform						Monitoring	
TECH	HB 4249	9-1-1 phone systems: Legislation to modify a requirement that any business over 7,000 square feet with a multiline phone system to install special equipment that can direct 9-1-1 services to the specific location in the building or series of buildings.	Amended and reported by House Communications & Tech on 5/1/19 & House Ways and Means on 5/21/19	Passed House 106-3 on 5/24/19	Reported by Sen. Energy & Tech on 6/5/19	Passed Senate 36-2 on 6/12/19			Neutral	The House committee adopted an H-2 substitute that removes future rulemaking authority, reduces the penalties, allows buildings under 20,000 square feet to comply only when they next upgrade the phone system and doesn't allow penalties to kick in until Jan. 1, 2021.
	SB 129	Drone limits: Legislation to allow a local unit of government to regulate drone use. The bill is mainly focused on Mackinac Island and the unique challenges drones present to the car-free island that is powered by horse-drawn carriages.	Amended and reported by Senate Transportation on 3/21/19	Passed Senate 38-0 on 4/24/19	Amended and reported by House Transportation on 6/4/19, & House Ways & Means on 6/12/19	Passed House 95-12 on 6/12/19				
	HB 4300	Drone investigations: Would prohibit the use of drones for natural resources investigations without the property owner's consent.	Referred to House Communications & Technology						Monitoring	
	HB 4173, 4307-4312, and 4323	Internet gaming: Legalizes online gaming/gambling. The state claims these bills will cause a \$30 million loss in iLottery revenue that goes to the State's School Aid Fund.	Reported by House Reg Reform on 3/19/19. Hearing in House Ways & Means on 6/4/19						Monitoring	The bills were approved by the legislature last term but vetoed by outgoing Governor Rick Snyder.
PRIVACY	HB 4186-4187	Data breach notification: The bills would require businesses who have a data breach directly notify customers of that breach within 45 days after confirmation of a breach. It also details the investigation process a business must use to determine if a breach occurred.	Reported by House Financial Services on 3/13/19. Referred to House Ways and Means							MRA testified before the House Financial Services Committee on amendments retailers need added to the bill in order to be supportive. We believe the Ways and Means Committee will make the changes MRA is seeking on the legislation.
	HB 4658	Drivers license scans: Legislation to prohibit businesses from scanning a state-issued ID like a driver's license unless it is to verify identity for a return or non-cash payment, to verify age when selling age-restricted items, prevent fraudulent returns, check services, or a federally-authorized purpose. If a business does scan a state-issued ID it must not retain that information in its systems.	Referred to House Commerce & Tourism						Under review	

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ENVIRONMENT	HB 4564	Energy savings: Legislation that would require utility companies provide customers with information on programs that would save them money. The bill would also restrict usage and sale of the customer's energy usage data collected by the utility.	Referred to House Energy						Monitoring	
	HB 4719	Sales/use of tar sealants: Would prohibit the use or safe of coal tar sealants or other petroleum or fuel-based sealants that contain polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs).	Referred to House Transportation						Monitoring	
OTHER	HB 4699	Blight fine liens: Bipartisan legislation to allow a local unit of government to put liens on other properties owned by a common owner of a blighted property that is not paying assessed fines.	Referred to House Local Government							
	HB 4386	Repeal no stricter than federal provision: Seeks to repeal a law passed last year prohibiting rules stricter than federal standards.	Referred to House Oversight							It is highly unlikely the legislature will overturn a law it recently approved.
	HB 4458	State rulemaking: Legislation that would automatically rescind rules made by state agencies after seven years unless required by federal law or if the legislature passed a resolution continuing the rule.	Referred to House Reg Reform						Monitoring	
	HB 4046	Zoning prohibiting vacation rentals: Legislation to clarify that zoning regulations cannot specifically apply to residential short-term rentals, like vacation rentals by the owner.	Hearing in House Local Government on 5/1/19						No position	
TAXES										
SALES TAX	HB 4165-4166	Feminine hygiene products: Legislation that would exempt feminine hygiene products from the state's sales and use taxes.	Referred to House Tax Policy						Monitoring	
	SB 123-124	Feminine hygiene products: Legislation that would exempt feminine hygiene products from the state's sales and use taxes.	Referred to Senate Finance						Monitoring	
	HB 4513-4514	Firearm safety devices: These two bills would exempt firearm safety devices from the state's sales and use taxes.	Referred to House Tax Policy						Monitoring	
	HB 4540-4543	Wayfair codification & marketplace facilitators: This is a four bill package that would codify the <i>Wayfair v. South Dakota</i> case allowing states to require sales tax collection for businesses selling over \$100,000 in sales or 200 or more separate transactions annually. It will also ensure that third party sales that occur on marketplaces like Amazon, eBay, and Etsy include sales tax.	House Tax Policy Hearing on 5/22/19							*MRA PRIORITY*
PROPERTY TAX	SB 163	PPT broadband equipment exemption: The bill would exempt broadband equipment from the Personal Property Tax.	Referred to Senate Finance						Monitoring	
	HB 4214-4215	PPT exemption threshold increase: Legislation to increase the exemption threshold from the Personal Property Tax filings for small businesses from \$80,000 in commercial personal property to \$100,000 in personal property.	Referred to House Tax Policy							MRA supports the legislation but wonders if it goes far enough in addressing the challenges of the commercial personal property tax.
	HB 4025 HB 4047 SB 26 SB 39	Property tax increases: Four bills seek to increase property taxes by increasing the cost and length of time it takes to appeal property valuations. The bills would also effectively eliminate using sales of comparable properties to value property, thereby relying on the much more expensive cost approach and increasing property taxes.	Referred to House Local Government / Senate Finance							MRA has strongly opposed past legislation and has already shared our concerns with legislators about this dangerous approach.
	HB 4030	Special assessment districts: Would allow a local unit of government to spread the cost of improvements across a special assessment district on a pro rata frontage basis or any other equitable manner.	Referred to House Local Government						Monitoring	
E TAX	HB 4182	Child care credit: Legislation that would create a new tax credit for businesses that offer child care to workers.	Referred to House Tax Policy						Monitoring	Similar legislation was introduced last session but did not move.
	HB 4089	City income taxes: Would prohibit cities from assessing non-residents with an income tax. Currently 23 cities in Michigan have income taxes, all of which have a resident and non-resident rate.	Referred to House Local Government						Monitoring	

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INCOME	HB 4582 & SB 315	Teacher supplies credit: Legislation to allow teachers to deduct up to \$1,000 in school supplies from their annual income tax returns.	Referred to House Tax Policy/ Senate Finance							Similar legislation has been introduced in the past and had not moved but it could encourage greater spending on school supplies.
	HB 4180	Unemployed workers credit: A bill that would create a new tax credit for hiring unemployed workers. Similar legislation was introduced last year but did not move.	Referred to House Tax Policy						Monitoring	Similar legislation was introduced last session but did not move.
OTHER	SB 235	Entertainment tax: Legislation that would create a new 10 percent excise tax on the admission charge for entertainment events for things like museums, zoos, professional sporting events, concerts, amusement parks, botanical gardens, and other cultural events.	Referred to Senate Finance						Monitoring	This bill is highly unlikely to move. The bill would exempt K-12 school events, collegiate athletic events and events sponsored by a nonprofit or charitable organization. Funds would go towards police and firefighter's retirement benefits in the community where the event occurred.
	HB 4691-4692	Stormwater/rain tax: Legislation that would allow local units of government to set up a stormwater management utility to address water runoff and snow melt by assessing utility fees proportionate to the property size and its contribution to water runoff.	Referred to House Reg. Reform						Monitoring	One of the bills is sponsored by the chair of the committee so these are likely to see movement.
OTHER										
TOURISM	SR 12	Alcohol on rivers: A resolution that seeks to overturn a USDA Forest Service order banning alcohol consumption on or within 200 feet of the shores of certain Northern Michigan rivers (the National Wild and Scenic River sections of the AuSable, Manistee, and Pine rivers).	Referred to Senate Natural Resources							MRA members have expressed concerns about the impact this will have on nearby stores. USDA has agreed to delay implementation until at least 2020, giving us more time to work on overturning the order.
	HB 4303	Daylight Savings Time: A bill that would end Michigan's participation in Daylight Savings Time.	Referred to House Commerce						Monitoring	Similar bills attracted a lot of discussion last session but little movement.
	HB 4101	DDA board makeup: Legislation to allow the designee of a municipal CEO to sit on the board instead of the CEO him or herself.	Reported by House Local Govt & House Ways and Means	Passed House 108-0 on 3/5/19	Referred to Senate Econ. Dev.				Neutral	
	HB 4368-4369	Post-labor day school start: A bill to eliminate restrictions on the start of the school year. Retailers have opposed such legislation since it puts additional pressure on staffing and tourism.	Reported by House Education on 5/7/19 Referred to Ways & Means							HB 4368 is sponsored by the chair of the House Education Committee, an indication of likely movement.
	HB 4046	Prevent bans of short term rentals: The bill would prevent a local unit of government from claiming a short-term rental is a commercial use of property and thereby prohibited by zoning requirements.	Hearing in House Local Govt on 5/1/19						Monitoring	
	SB 306	Principal shopping district assessment areas: Legislation to include residential real property located in a Principal Shopping District (PSD) in special assessments that benefit the PSD and those properties.	Reported by Senate Econ. Dev. on 6/6/19							This is a reintroduction of HB 5325 that the legislature approved last term but was vetoed by Gov. Snyder.
	HB 4544-4563	Short-term rentals: The bills would require the state to set up a registry of short-term rental owners, require certification that the owner has at least \$1 million in liability insurance and require payment of all taxes and assessments owed for the preceding tax year. If the owner does not meet these requirements, they will be banned from offering the property as a short term rental.	Amended and reported by House Commerce on 6/6/19						Monitoring	
	SB 288	Distracted driving: The bill would only allow use of hands-free devices while driving. It would also add one-to-two points on an individuals driving record for repeated distracted driving offenses, which are defined as holding or using a portable electronic device.	Referred to Senate Judiciary						Monitoring	
HB 4688 & SB 351	Discrimination based on sexual orientation/gender identity: Bills to add sexual orientation and gender identity as protected classes to the state's civil rights act.	Referred to House & Senate Gov't Operations						Monitoring		

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SB 347		Driving while impaired: A bill to make driving with five or more nanograms of marijuana in the body a crime.	Referred to Senate Judiciary						Monitoring	
HJR H		Term limits: A joint resolution to amend the Michigan Constitution to allow legislators to serve up to 14 years in either the House or Senate.	Referred to House Gov't Operations							If approved by the legislature, the question would go before the people on the next general election ballot.
HB 4181, 4198-4199		Texting while driving: Several bipartisan bills that would increase penalties on drivers who send texts or other messages while driving. Texting while driving is already illegal and drivers can receive both that penalty and distracted driving charges which carries a larger fine and impact on one's driving record.	Reported and amended by House Transportation on 5/1/19. Referred to House Ways & Means.						Monitoring	
HR 81		Trade agreement: This resolution, if adopted, would urge Congress to speedily approve the recently negotiated Mexico-Canada Agreement.	Reported by House Government Operations on 5/1/19	House approved on 5/1/19	NA	NA	NA	NA	Monitoring	

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