



# Michigan Municipal Executives

## *Winter Conference*

### *February '18 Legislative Update*

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# 2018 Through the Crystal Ball



- Politics, Politics, Politics – Everyone Up for Election in November
  - Who's Running for What & Against Whom?
  - Governor, Attorney General, & Secretary of State
  - 110 Members of House Of Representatives
  - 38 Members of Senate
- State of the State Address – Speaker & SML Priorities
- Session Calendar & Filing Deadline
- Ballot Questions – Marijuana, PT Legislature, Prevailing Wage, Redistricting



# Infrastructure Week



- Monday: Broadband
- Tuesday: Renewing Michigan's Environment
- Wednesday: Asian Carp
- Thursday: Water Infrastructure Proposal
- Friday: Recycling



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# Federal & State Tax Reform



- Federal Tax Reform
  - Tax-Exempt Status for Municipal Bonds
  - Municipal Bond Refinancing and Private Activity Bonds
  - State & Local Income Taxes
  - Property Tax Deductions
  - Historic & Low-Income Housing Credits
- State Personal Exemption Interaction
  - HB 5420-5422 & SB 748-750



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# OPEB / Pension Reform Efforts



- 13 bills signed by Governor – HB 5298 / SB 686 – PA 202'17
- Governor's OPEB Task Force Report  
[http://www.michigan.gov/documents/snyder/R3\\_Task\\_Force\\_Report\\_579101\\_7.pdf](http://www.michigan.gov/documents/snyder/R3_Task_Force_Report_579101_7.pdf)  
[MML Response Statement](#)
- Reporting – Waivers – Corrective Action Plans
- Revenue Sharing Proposal – HB 5314-5316



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# Municipal Finance Reform



- Maintain Focus on Costs, Structure & Revenue
- SaveMICity Partnership with C. S. Mott Foundation
- Beyond OPEB & Revenue Sharing



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# Medical Marijuana



- Anticipated Revisions
  - Technical Amendments/Emergency Rules
  - Various Proposals – limit advertising, temp operations
  - State Bank Proposal (HB 5431-5434)
- MMFLA Licensing Board & Advisory Board
  - Work Groups – Emergency rules input
  - Rules for transition period & initial license
- MML You Need To Know Sessions / Workshops / Resource Page / Blog



# Short-Term Rental Zoning Preemption



- Local Zoning Preemption - SB 329 (Hune) & HB 4503 (Sheppard)
- Coalition between local government, hospitality industry, planning, preservation, and chamber/CVB groups
  - Social media & PR efforts underway
- Stay Engaged!!



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# Small Cells – SB 637

- Bill as introduced poses serious problems
- Limits protection of the Right-of-Way
- Limits permit fees & rates communities can charge
- Ongoing negotiations to improve the bill



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# Lead & Copper Rule Revision



- Lead & Copper Rule revisions
- Draft Rule Just Published (1/31/18)
- Public Comment Period Ends March 7
- [DEQ Resource Page](#)



# Infrastructure & Technology



- Basement Back-up Protections – HB 4290
- Storm Water Authorities – HB 4100 / SB 756
- Plastic Pipe & Piping Material – SB 157
- Broadband Expansion & Rights of Way Access



# Tax Policy & Economic Development



- Dark Stores – Escanaba Court Decision
- Personal Property Tax – various changes (SB 570-573, HB 5086)
- Non-Profit/Charitable Tax Status – SBC Health v Kentwood Decision
- TIF Reporting (SB 393 & HB 5070)
- State Historic Tax Credit (SB 469 & HB 5178)





# Other Impacts on Local Government

- State Budget and Bad Driver (DRF) Fees – Fire Protection Grants
- Millage Question Election Limitations (HB 4814-Albert)
- FOIA of Third-Party Law Enforcement Records (SB 712-Stamas)
- Housing Incentives – Below Market Housing (SB 110-Schmidt)



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# QUESTIONS?

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