

# Legislative Analysis



## MICHIGAN-MADE PORTABLE FUEL CONTAINERS

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**House Bill 4717 as introduced**  
**Sponsor: Rep. Steven Johnson**  
**Committee: Commerce and Tourism**  
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### SUMMARY:

House Bill 4717 would create a new act to allow certain portable fuel containers (such as gas cans) made in this state to include a “made in Michigan” label. The bill would also include a legislative finding that such a container, if it remains within this state, has not entered into interstate commerce and is not subject to congressional authority to regulate interstate commerce.

Specifically, under the bill, all portable fuel containers that are manufactured entirely in this state—apart from the inclusion of *generic or insignificant parts* imported from outside the state—could have the words “made in Michigan” clearly stamped, engraved, or otherwise clearly indicated on a central part of the container. If the container remained in this state, the label would be evidence that it had not entered or substantially affected interstate commerce.

*Generic or insignificant parts* would mean parts that are minor components or that have manufacturing or consumer product applications other than the production of portable fuel containers, including steel and plastic.

The proposed act would take effect 90 days after its enactment.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

House Bill 4717 would not affect costs or revenues for the Department of Natural Resources or the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy. The bill is also unlikely to affect costs or revenues for local governments.

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