

Amy Rostkowycz

From: Steven Mangan <smmangan@umich.edu>
Sent: Monday, October 7, 2019 2:15 PM
To: Amy Rostkowycz
Subject: Concerns with HB 4567, HB 4568, and HB 4569

Amy,

I have significant concerns regarding HB 4567, HB 4568, and HB 4569. Please relay them to all the members of the House of Natural Resources Committee.

As the director of Michigan Dining, we provide a large amount of fish from the Great Lakes to our customers. Our dining strategy engages wellness and nutrition, sustainability, and support for our small businesses in Michigan that provide food products to our students.

Our dining program and others around the state are committed to supporting the local food movement. Prioritizing sport fishing over the commercial fisheries is a mistake. Both approaches should be allowed to coexist.

Thank you for your consideration
Steve Mangan

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Amy Rostkowycz

From: Jkarr <jkarr@karreditorial.com>
Sent: Saturday, October 5, 2019 9:24 PM
To: Amy Rostkowycz
Subject: Against House Bills 4567, 4568, 4569

I support commercial fishing in MI and oppose House Bills 4567, 4568, 4569.

Please share this with each member of the House Natural Resource Committee.

Sincerely,

Justin Karr

Amy Rostkowycz

From: Jordan Yeatts <jordan.yeatts@cherrycapitalfoods.com>
Sent: Friday, October 4, 2019 1:16 PM
To: Amy Rostkowycz
Subject: Please oppose HB 4567-4569

Hello,

I am writing to OPPOSE HB 4567, HB 4568, and HB 4569. These three bills would be detrimental to the 13 commercial families left in Michigan, putting many out of business and making their fishing licenses worthless. These Bills also were unfairly written by one party, the MUCC, an avid sports conservation group. The bills do not consider any commercial fishermen's views. These bills take away a species that the commercial fishermen have relied on for hundreds of years, the yellow perch, they impose ridiculous and unattainable regulations for the commercial fishermen, and will make it nearly impossible to operate profitably and sustainably.

Michigan residents deserve the right to buy local Michigan fish in Michigan!! Right now, laws currently prohibit and restrict Michigan Commercial fishermen to the point where they cannot compete with Canadian fish from the Great Lakes in Michigan. Two big grocery chains in recent years, Meijer and Kroger, have both went with Canadian Great Lakes Fish in their stores because Michigan Commercial fishermen are limited on which species we can harvest, and Canadian fisheries are not. This is a very backwards practice. Not only is the State of Michigan paying to stock the lakes with Walleye and Lake Trout, but they are also paying Canada to fish those species for Michigan residents. Please consider all Michigan residents rights to our local Great Lakes Fish! I appreciate your time and consideration,

Sincerely,
Jordan Yeatts



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Amy Rostkowycz

From: rruleau@new.rr.com
Sent: Friday, October 4, 2019 11:54 AM
To: Amy Rostkowycz
Subject: Commercial fish bill 4568
Attachments: 20190928_070510_HDR.jpg

Amy, hi, I am a seventh generation Commercial Fisherman on Lake Michigan , we have a small family business that supports 20+ families and I would like to say that this bill will do nothing to help us and much more to harm an already struggling industry...please consider the impact of this bill..its very unjustified. Bob

Sent from my LG Mobile

Amy Rostkowycz

From: Doug Seibert <44peepaw@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, October 4, 2019 2:41 PM
To: Amy Rostkowycz
Subject: Commercial fishing

Hello,

I urge you to oppose Hb 4567, Hb4568, and Hb4569. I support the family traditions of commercial fishing in Michigan. These netters are family owned businesses and they work very hard to provide Michigan fish for Michigan restaurants. Sport fishing groups are very greedy and want all of this resource for themselves. Please oppose these 3 proposals.

Thank you,

Douglas Seibert

Amy Rostkowycz

From: scott Meyersieck <mbfh90@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, October 4, 2019 7:56 PM
To: Amy Rostkowycz
Cc: Rep. Rodney Wakeman (District 94)
Subject: Oppose HB4567,4568,4569

October 4, 2019

To Whom it may concern:

Please know that I am opposed to over regulating Commercial Fisheries, specifically House Bills: 4567,4568, 4569.

Please forward this notice of my opposition to ALL of the members of the Michigan House Natural Resources Committee.

The constraints that these bills will imposes upon small business Commercial Fisheries will be a death nail to a handful of independent businesses in addition to hundreds of people who depend on Commercial fishing access to the Michigan Lakes.

Commercial fishing is and always has been a valued source of income and livelihood that epitomizes the resourcefulness of hard work.

In addition these bills will restrict the availability of Michigan Fish that are commercially harvested for consumers like me who DO NOT sport fish. Frankly, I prefer to purchase fish that are harvested by Michigan workers, which in turn keeps my Michigan money in Michigan for Michigan.

Again, I oppose HB 4567, 4568, 4569 And you should too.

Respectfully,

scott Meyersieck, Pigeon, Michigan

Sent from my iPad.

Amy Rostkowycz

From: Jay <jayotkois@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, October 4, 2019 9:03 PM
To: Amy Rostkowycz
Subject: No commercial fishing

Commercial fishing will kill community's on the Saginaw Bay . It's a joke!!!! There is 200 x more money in sport fishing!
Do not allow commercial fishing!!!!!!!

Amy Rostkowycz

From: J McKay <jamckay66@airadv.net>
Sent: Saturday, October 5, 2019 11:39 AM
To: Amy Rostkowycz
Subject: HB 4567, 4568, 4569

Dear clerk, please pass this on to each member of the House of Natural Resources Committee. I am in support of commercial fishing in Michigan. My family has been fishing in Michigan for over 120 years. I am opposed to HB 4567-HB 4569. These bills will put hard working commercial fishermen out of business in Michigan and force Mi residents to buy Canadian Great Lakes Fish. This will force restaurants in MI to buy Canadian Great Lakes fish and be subject to whatever prices they set. I appreciate your time and all that you do. Sincerely, Wayne McKay

Sent from my iPhone

Amy Rostkowycz

From: David Wenger <dkw2129@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, October 5, 2019 5:27 PM
To: Amy Rostkowycz
Subject: Commercial Fishing

Dear Sir:

I am writing you to indicate my support for commercial fishing in Michigan. Therefore I oppose HB 4567,4568, and 4569. Please make certain that each member of the House Natural Resources Committee receives a copy.Thank you.
David K Wenger

Amy Rostkowycz

From: Julie Drew <julielenae@icloud.com>
Sent: Saturday, October 5, 2019 8:20 PM
To: Amy Rostkowycz
Subject: Commercial Fishing In MI

Hello,

The purpose of this email is to share that we support commercial fishing in Michigan, and we oppose HB 4567, 4568, and 4569. We appreciate the ability to buy locally and take advantage of this ability as often as we can. We would like to continue to buy Michigan fish and not have to get our fish from other countries.

Thank you for your time,
Chris and Julie Lawrence

Amy Rostkowycz

From: leslie@karreditorial.com
Sent: Saturday, October 5, 2019 9:20 PM
To: Amy Rostkowycz
Subject: Opposing HB 4567, 4568, 4569

Please share with each member of the House Natural Resource Committee.

I support commercial fishing in MI and oppose House Bills 4567, 4568, 4569. I am a regular customer of Bay Port Fish Company, a family-owned commercial fishery that has been fishing in Lake Huron for over 100 years. They are concerned about the negative impact of these bills on their business, and I, in turn, am concerned about these bills affecting my ability to get their delicious and nutritious fish at the Eastern Market in Detroit every Saturday.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best,

Leslie Karr
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Amy Rostkowycz

From: Jon Miller <jmillr@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Monday, October 7, 2019 10:18 AM
To: Amy Rostkowycz
Subject: HB 4567, 4568, 4569

Dear Legislator,

It is my understanding that the above-listed bills, proffered at the behest of sport fishing interests, would cause undue harm to the small, but important, commercial fishing industry in Michigan. Those of us who are not sport fishermen would, if these bills are passed, thereby be deprived of access to fresh, healthful, locally-caught fish. I am very much in favor of protecting and encouraging our Michigan commercial fishing practitioners and, therefore, I strongly urge you and your House committee members to oppose these bills on that account.

Please be so good as to provide the other members of the House Natural Resource Committee with copies of this email.

Many thanks.

Sincerely,
Jon A. Miller
3956 W. Lafayette Blvd.
Detroit, MI 48216

Amy Rostkowycz

From: Andrea Matthies <andrea@jamesodell.com>
Sent: Monday, October 7, 2019 10:47 AM
To: Amy Rostkowycz
Subject: Vote no on HB 4567,4568,4569

Good Morning,

I request that you vote no on HB 4567, 4568, and 4569. These bills are currently before the Natural Resources and Outdoor Recreation Committee.

Many of us in Michigan appreciate being able to eat fish fresh from our natural bounty of lakes. We would much prefer eating the catch of local commercial fisherman than frozen product from some fish farm in Thailand.

Let's support these small businesses.

Vote NO. And, please forward this message to the Committee members.

Thank you.

Andrea Matthies
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