SENATE BILL No. 125

February 21, 1991, Introduced by Senators V. SMITH and EHLERS and referred to the Committee on State Affairs and Military/Veteran Affairs.

A bill to impose certain duties on public bodies relating to the size of documents and paper supplies.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 1. As used in this act:
- 2 (a) "Document" means a record, form, or other original or
- 3 official paper.
- 4 (b) "Public body" means all of the following:
- 5 (i) The executive branch of government or a state officer,
- 6 employee, agency, department, division, bureau, board, commis-
- 7 sion, council, authority, or other body in the executive branch
- 8 of government.
- 9 (ii) The legislative branch of government or an agency,
- 10 board, commission, council, or committee in the legislative
- 11 branch of government.

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- (iii) A county, city, township, village, intergovernmental,
- 2 or regional governing body, a council, school district, special
- 3 district, or municipal corporation, or a board, department, com-
- 4 mission, council, or agency of that body.
- 5 (iv) A body that is created by state or local authority or
- 6 that is primarily funded by or through state or local authority.
- 7 (v) A law enforcement agency.
- 8 (vi) The judicial branch of government or an officer,
- 9 employee, agency, department, division, board, or other body in
- 10 the judicial branch of government.
- 11 (c) "Standard letter size" means 8-1/2 inches by 11 inches,
- 12 within standard paper manufacturing tolerances.
- Sec. 2. Except as permitted in section 4 or 5, a public
- 14 body shall not make, use, or accept a document that is larger
- 15 than standard letter size.
- 16 Sec. 3. Except as permitted in section 4 or 5, a public
- 17 body shall not purchase a form, bond paper, stationery, pad, or
- 18 similar paper supply that is larger than standard letter size.
- 19 Sec. 4. Sections 2 and 3 do not apply to any of the follow-
- 20 ing items:
- 21 (a) A document otherwise required by law to be of a differ-
- 22 ent size.
- 23 (b) An engineering drawing, architectural drawing, map,
- 24 graph, poster, chart, or artwork.
- 25 (c) A computer-generated printout that cannot be made to
- 26 conform with standard letter size or that does not affect files
- 27 for standard letter size documents.

- 1 (d) Output from test measurement and diagnostic equipment.
- 2 (e) Machine-generated paper tapes.
- 3 (f) Proclamations, resolutions, and certificates of award
- 4 that are intended to be framed and presented to individuals or
- 5 other groups.
- 6 (g) Oversized paper stock to be used in making a document
- 7 that conforms to the requirements of this act.
- 8 Sec. 5. A public body may use or accept a document that is
- 9 larger than standard letter size until the expiration of 18
- 10 months after the effective date of this act.

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