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HOUSE BILL No. 4624

April 20, 1993, Introduced by Rep. Bryant and referred to the Committee on House Oversight and Ethics.

A bill to amend section 49 of Act No. 388 of the Public Acts of 1976, entitled

"Michigan campaign finance act,"

being section 169.249 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Section 1. Section 49 of Act No. 388 of the Public Acts of
- 2 1976, being section 169.249 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is
- 3 amended to read as follows:
- 4 Sec. 49. (1) An SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (3), AN elected
- 5 public official may establish an officeholder expense fund. The
- 6 fund may be used for expenses incidental to the person's office.
- 7 The fund -may SHALL not be used to make contributions and expen-
- 8 ditures to further the nomination or election of that public
- 9 official.

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- 1 (2) The contributions and expenditures made pursuant to
 2 subsection (1) are not exempt from the contribution limitations
 3 of this act, but any and all. THE contributions and expenditures
 4 shall be recorded and shall be reported on forms provided by the
 5 secretary of state and filed not later than January 31 of each
 6 year. -and- THE REPORT shall have a closing date of January 1 of
 7 that year.
- 8 (3) AN ELECTED PUBLIC OFFICIAL SHALL NOT ESTABLISH AN
 9 OFFICEHOLDER EXPENSE FUND AFTER JULY 31, 1993 OR MAINTAIN AN
 10 OFFICEHOLDER EXPENSE FUND AFTER DECEMBER 31, 1993. BEFORE
 11 JANUARY 1, 1994, UNEXPENDED FUNDS IN AN OFFICEHOLDER EXPENSE FUND
 12 SHALL BE GIVEN TO A TAX-EXEMPT CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION.
- (4) -(3) A person who knowingly violates this section is

 14 guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be punished PUNISHABLE by a

 15 fine of not more than \$1,000.00 or imprisoned IMPRISONMENT for

 16 not more than 90 days, or both.