



# HOUSE BILL No. 6023

September 10, 1996, Introduced by Rep. Martinez and referred to the Committee on House Oversight and Ethics.

A bill to amend section 3 of Act No. 169 of the Public Acts of 1976, entitled as amended

"An act to regulate certain political activities by certain public employees; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state agencies; and to provide penalties,"

being section 15.403 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Section 1. Section 3 of Act No. 169 of the Public Acts of  
2 1976, being section 15.403 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is  
3 amended to read as follows:

4 Sec. 3. (1) An employee of a political subdivision of the  
5 state may DO 1 OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING:

6 (a) Become a member of a political party committee formed or  
7 authorized under the election laws of this state.

8 (b) Be a delegate to a state convention, or a district or  
9 county convention held by a political party in this state.

1 (c) Become a candidate for nomination and election to any  
2 state elective office, or any district, county, city, village,  
3 township, school district, or other local elective office without  
4 first obtaining a leave of absence from his OR HER employment.  
5 ~~if the person becomes a candidate for elective office within the~~  
6 ~~unit of government or school district in which he is employed,~~  
7 ~~unless contrary to a collective bargaining agreement the employer~~  
8 ~~may require the person to request and take a leave of absence~~  
9 ~~without pay when he complies with the candidacy filing require-~~  
10 ~~ments, or 60 days before any election relating to that position,~~  
11 ~~whichever date is closer to the election.~~

12 (d) Engage in other political activities on behalf of a can-  
13 didate or issue in connection with partisan or nonpartisan  
14 elections.

15 (2) ~~However, a~~ A public employee of a unit of local gov-  
16 ernment or school district who is elected to an office within  
17 that unit of local government or school district shall resign or  
18 may be granted a leave of absence from his OR HER employment  
19 during his OR HER elected term.