SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 391

A bill to amend 1964 PA 265, entitled "Uniform securities act,"

by amending section 202 (MCL 451.602), as amended by 2000 PA 494.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 202. (a) A broker-dealer, agent, or investment adviser
- 2 may obtain an initial registration by filing with the
- 3 administrator an application together with a consent to service
- 4 of process pursuant to section 414(g). The application shall
- 5 contain the information that the administrator by rule requires
- 6 concerning any of the following:
- 7 (1) The applicant's form and place of organization.
- 8 (2) The applicant's proposed method of doing business.
- 9 (3) The qualifications and business history of the applicant;
- 10 in the case of a broker-dealer or investment adviser, the

- 1 qualifications and business history of any partner, officer, or
- 2 director, any person occupying a similar status or performing
- 3 similar functions, or any person directly or indirectly
- 4 controlling the broker-dealer or investment adviser; and, in the
- 5 case of an investment adviser, the qualifications and business
- 6 history of any employee.
- 7 (4) Any injunction or administrative order or conviction of a
- 8 misdemeanor or of a felony.
- **9** (5) The applicant's financial condition and history.
- 10 (b) The administrator may by rule or order require an
- 11 applicant for initial registration to publish an announcement of
- 12 the application in 1 or more specified newspapers published in
- 13 this state. Registration becomes effective upon order of the
- 14 administrator. The administrator may by rule or order establish
- 15 classes of or otherwise condition the registration of
- 16 broker-dealers, agents, or investment advisers.
- 17 (c) Every—Before September 30, 2003 or after September 30,
- 18 2007, an applicant for registration shall pay a filing fee and
- 19 every registrant shall pay an annual fee of \$250.00 in the case
- 20 of a broker-dealer, \$30.00 in the case of an agent, and \$150.00
- 21 in the case of an investment adviser. Every Before September
- 22 30, 2003 or after September 30, 2007, an applicant filing an
- 23 application for registration of a successor pursuant to
- 24 subsection (d) shall pay a filing fee of \$100.00 for the
- 25 unexpired portion of the year. —A—Before September 30, 2003 or
- 26 after September 30, 2007, a registered agent who has terminated
- 27 his or her connection with a broker-dealer shall pay a transfer

- 1 fee of \$10.00 when transferring his or her connection to another
- 2 broker-dealer. After September 30, 2003 and before October 1,
- 3 2007, an applicant for registration shall pay a filing fee and
- 4 every registrant shall pay an annual fee of \$300.00 in the case
- 5 of a broker-dealer, \$65.00 in the case of an agent, and \$200.00
- 6 in the case of an investment adviser. After September 30, 2003
- 7 and before October 1, 2007, an applicant filing an application
- 8 for registration of a successor pursuant to subsection (d) shall
- 9 pay a filing fee of \$125.00 for the unexpired portion of the
- 10 year. After September 30, 2003 and before October 1, 2007, a
- 11 registered agent who has terminated his or her connection with a
- 12 broker-dealer shall pay a transfer fee of \$20.00 when
- 13 transferring his or her connection to another broker-dealer.
- 14 (d) A registered broker-dealer or investment adviser may file
- 15 an application for registration of a successor, whether or not
- 16 the successor is then in existence. The administrator may grant
- 17 or deny the application.
- 18 (e) An applicant for registration under this act or an issuer
- 19 who offers or sells a security in this state through any person
- 20 shall file with the administrator, in the form prescribed by the
- 21 administrator by rule or order, an irrevocable consent to service
- 22 of process.
- 23 (f) Subject to the requirements of section 15 of title I of
- 24 the securities exchange act of 1934, 15 U.S.C. 780, and section
- 25 222 of the investment advisers act of 1940, 15 U.S.C. 80b-18a,
- 26 the administrator may by rule or order require a minimum capital
- 27 for registered broker-dealers and investment advisers and

- 1 prescribe a ratio between net capital and aggregate
- 2 indebtedness. If the registrant fails to comply with the minimum
- 3 net capital requirement, the registrant shall immediately cease
- 4 all investment advisory or securities business operations and
- 5 promptly notify the administrator of its failure to maintain the
- 6 required net capital, of the steps to be taken to cure the net
- 7 capital deficiency, and of its anticipated date of reopening
- 8 business operations. The registrant shall not reactivate its
- 9 securities or investment advisory business operations without
- 10 prior notification to the administrator.
- 11 (q) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the
- 12 administrator may require a fidelity bond from a broker-dealer,
- 13 agent, or investment adviser who is required to be registered
- 14 under this act. The administrator may not require a bond from a
- 15 broker-dealer that is registered under the securities exchange
- 16 act of 1934 or an investment adviser that maintains its principal
- 17 place of business in a state other than this state if the
- 18 investment adviser is registered in that other state and is in
- 19 compliance with that state's bonding requirements, if any.
- 20 (h) Unless the requirement is waived by rule or order of the
- 21 administrator, all persons, including but not limited to
- 22 partners, officers, directors, and agents employed by a
- 23 broker-dealer or investment adviser who are regularly employed
- 24 within this state shall, as a condition of employment, be
- 25 fingerprinted. The administrator may process the fingerprint
- 26 cards with the federal bureau of investigation and the department
- 27 of state police either directly or through the national

- 1 association of securities dealers. The fingerprints or
- 2 information relating to the fingerprints shall be used for the
- 3 official use of the administrator only.