SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 1032

A bill to amend 1994 PA 55, entitled "Confidential research information act," by amending the title and sections 1 and 2 (MCL 390.1551 and 390.1552) and by adding section 4a.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 TITLE
- 2 An act to protect from public disclosure certain information
- 3 obtained in research and related activities of public
- 4 universities and colleges; to protect from public disclosure
- 5 certain investment information received by a public university or
- 6 college from an investment fiduciary or portfolio company; and to
- 7 prescribe certain duties of public universities and colleges.
- 8 Sec. 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the
- 9 "confidential research and investment information act".
- 10 Sec. 2. As used in this act:

- 1 (a) "Commercial information" means information regarding the
- 2 purchase and sale of goods and services, including, but not
- 3 limited to, information regarding marketing strategy, production
- 4 data, assessments of goods and services, mineral exploration
- 5 records, and compilations of data regarding commercial activity.
- **6** (b) "Financial information" means information regarding
- 7 finances, including, but not limited to, assets, income,
- 8 liabilities, net worth, bank balances, financial history or
- 9 activities, or creditworthiness.
- 10 (c) "Intellectual property" means all original data,
- 11 findings, or other products of the mind or intellect commonly
- 12 associated with claims, interests, and rights that are protected
- 13 under trade secret, patent, trademark, copyright, or unfair
- 14 competition law.
- 15 (d) "Investment" means the utilization of money or other
- 16 assets in the expectation of future returns in the form of income
- 17 or capital gain.
- 18 (e) "Investment fiduciary" means a person who exercises any
- 19 discretionary authority or control over an investment of a public
- 20 university or college or renders investment advice for a public
- 21 university or college for a fee or other direct or indirect
- 22 compensation.
- 23 (f) "Investment information" means information that has not
- 24 been publicly disseminated or that is unavailable from other
- 25 sources, the release of which might cause a portfolio company or
- 26 an investment fiduciary significant competitive harm. Investment
- 27 information includes, but is not limited to, financial

- 1 performance data and projections, financial statements, list of
- 2 coinvestors and their level of investment, product and market
- 3 data, rent rolls, and leases.
- 4 (g) "Portfolio company" means an entity in which an
- 5 investment fiduciary has made or considered an investment on
- 6 behalf of a public university or college.
- 7 (h) -(d) "Public university or college" means a university,
- 8 college, or community college -described in established under
- **9** section -4, 5, 6, or 7 of article VIII of the state constitution
- 10 of 1963. or any institution of higher education established by
- 11 the state after the effective date of this act.
- 12 (i) "Record" means all or part of a writing, as that term is
- 13 defined in section 2 of the freedom of information act, 1976 PA
- 14 442, MCL 15.232.
- 15 (j) (e) "Trade secret" means information consisting of a
- 16 valuable unpatented formula, pattern, device, or process, or
- 17 other information that is used in a business and gives the
- 18 possessor of the information a competitive advantage over those
- 19 who do not know or use the information, and for which sufficient
- 20 measures have been taken to guard the secrecy of the information
- 21 and preserve its confidentiality, and that does not encompass
- 22 information that is readily ascertainable by competitors or the
- 23 general public without undue difficulty or hardship.
- 24 Sec. 4a. (1) Subject to subsection (2), a record received,
- 25 prepared, used, or retained by an investment fiduciary in
- 26 connection with an investment or potential investment of a public
- 27 university or college that relates to investment information

- 1 pertaining to a portfolio company in which the investment
- 2 fiduciary has invested or has considered an investment that is
- 3 considered by the portfolio company and acknowledged by the
- 4 investment fiduciary as confidential, or that relates to
- 5 investment information whether prepared by or for the investment
- 6 fiduciary regarding loans and assets directly owned by the
- 7 investment fiduciary and acknowledged by the investment fiduciary
- 8 as confidential, is exempt from the disclosure requirements of
- 9 the freedom of information act, 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.231 to
- 10 15.246, if at least annually the public university or college
- 11 provides to its governing board, and makes available to the
- 12 public, a report of its investments that includes all of the
- 13 following:
- 14 (a) The name of each portfolio company in which the public
- 15 university or college invested during the reporting period.
- 16 (b) The aggregate amount of money invested by the public
- 17 university or college in portfolio companies during the reporting
- 18 period.
- 19 (c) The rate of return realized during the reporting period
- 20 on the investments of the public university or college in
- 21 portfolio companies.
- (d) The source of any public funds invested by the public
- 23 university or college in portfolio companies during the reporting
- 24 period.
- 25 (2) If a record described in subsection (1) is an agreement
- 26 or instrument to which an investment fiduciary is a party, only
- 27 those parts of the record that contain investment information are

- 1 exempt from the disclosure requirements of the freedom of
- 2 information act, 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.231 to 15.246.