HOUSE BILL No. 4595

April 29, 2003, Introduced by Reps. Bradstreet and Rivet and referred to the Committee on Energy and Technology.

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A bill to amend 1984 PA 274, entitled
"Michigan antitrust reform act,"
by amending section 4 (MCL 445.774).
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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 4. (1) Labor of a human being is not a commodity or an
- article of commerce.
- (2) This act shall not be construed to forbid does not 3
- **prohibit** the existence and operation of -any a labor,
- agricultural, or horticultural organization instituted created
- for the purpose of mutual help, while lawfully carrying out its
 - legitimate objects.
- (3) This act -shall not be construed to does not prohibit,
- invalidate, or make unlawful -any an act or conduct of any unit
- 9 10 of government, -when- if the unit of government is acting in a
 - -subject matter -area in which it is authorized by law, -to

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- 1 act, except for purposes of conducting an investigation and
- 2 the obtaining of -appropriate injunctive or other equitable
- 3 relief, other than civil penalties, -pursuant to under section
- **4** 7.
- 5 (4) This act shall Except for the provision of
- 6 telecommunication services, this act does not apply to a
- 7 transaction or conduct specifically authorized under the laws of
- 8 this state or the United States, or specifically authorized under
- 9 laws, by law or the rules, regulations, or orders -administered,
- 10 promulgated, or issued by of a regulatory agency, board, or
- 11 officer acting under statutory authority. -of this state or the
- 12 United States.
- 13 (5) —A Except for the provision of telecommunication
- 14 services, a transaction or conduct made unlawful by this act
- 15 shall not be construed to does not violate this act where if
- 16 it is the subject of a legislatively mandated pervasive
- 17 regulatory scheme, including, but not limited to, the insurance
- 18 code of 1956, being sections 500.100 to 500.8302 of the Michigan
- 19 Compiled Laws, which 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.100 to 500.8302, that
- 20 confers exclusive jurisdiction on a regulatory board or officer
- 21 to authorize, prohibit, or regulate the transaction or conduct.
- 22 (6) This act -shall does not apply to a transaction or
- 23 conduct of an authorized health maintenance corporation, health
- 24 insurer, medical care corporation, or health service corporation
- 25 or health care corporation when the transaction or conduct is to
- 26 reduce the cost of health care and is permitted by the
- 27 commissioner. This subsection shall does not affect the

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- 1 enforcement of the federal antitrust act by federal courts or
- 2 federal agencies.
- 3 (7) As used in this section, "telecommunication services"
- 4 means that term as defined in section 102 of the Michigan
- 5 telecommunications act, 1991 PA 179, MCL 484.2102.

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