SENATE BILL No. 350

March 24, 2005, Introduced by Senators GARCIA, GILBERT and KUIPERS and referred to the Committee on Economic Development, Small Business and Regulatory Reform.

A bill to amend 1933 PA 254, entitled "The motor carrier act,"

by amending sections 2 and 10a of article V (MCL 479.2 and 479.10a), section 2 of article V as amended by 1996 PA 76 and section 10a of article V as amended by 1993 PA 352, and by adding article I-A; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

ARTICLE I-A

HOUSEHOLD GOODS CONSUMER PROTECTION

SEC. 11. AS USED IN THIS ARTICLE:

(A) "GOOD MORAL CHARACTER" MEANS THAT TERM AS DEFINED AND

DETERMINED UNDER 1974 PA 381, MCL 338.41 TO 338.47.

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- 1 (B) "HOUSEHOLD GOODS" MEANS ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 2 (i) PERSONAL EFFECTS AND PROPERTY USED OR TO BE USED IN A
- 3 DWELLING WHEN A PART OF THE EQUIPMENT OR SUPPLY OF THAT DWELLING,
- 4 BUT DOES NOT INCLUDE PROPERTY MOVING FROM A FACTORY OR STORE UNLESS
- 5 THE OWNER HAS PURCHASED THE PROPERTY WITH INTENT TO USE IN HIS OR
- 6 HER DWELLING AND THE PROPERTY IS TRANSPORTED AT THE REQUEST OF, AND
- 7 THE TRANSPORTATION CHARGES ARE PAID TO THE CARRIER BY, THE
- 8 HOUSEHOLDER.
- 9 (ii) FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT, AND THE PROPERTY OF
- 10 STORES, OFFICES, MUSEUMS, INSTITUTIONS, HOSPITALS, OR OTHER
- 11 ESTABLISHMENTS WHEN A PART OF THE STOCK, EQUIPMENT, OR SUPPLY OF
- 12 THE STORES, OFFICES, MUSEUMS, INSTITUTIONS, HOSPITALS, OR OTHER
- 13 ESTABLISHMENTS EXCEPT FOR THE STOCK-IN-TRADE OF ANY ESTABLISHMENT,
- 14 WHETHER CONSIGNOR OR CONSIGNEE, OTHER THAN USED FURNITURE AND USED
- 15 FIXTURES, UNLESS TRANSPORTED INCIDENTAL TO MOVING OF THE
- 16 ESTABLISHMENT OR A PORTION OF THE ESTABLISHMENT FROM 1 LOCATION TO
- 17 ANOTHER.
- 18 (iii) ARTICLES, INCLUDING OBJECTS OF ART, DISPLAYS, AND
- 19 EXHIBITS, WHICH BECAUSE OF THEIR UNUSUAL NATURE OR VALUE REQUIRE
- 20 THE SPECIALIZED HANDLING AND EQUIPMENT USUALLY EMPLOYED IN MOVING
- 21 HOUSEHOLD GOODS.
- 22 SEC. 12. (1) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS ARTICLE,
- 23 ARTICLES I, II, III, IV, AND V DO NOT APPLY TO CARRIERS REGULATED
- 24 BY THIS ARTICLE.
- 25 (2) THIS ARTICLE APPLIES TO THE MOVEMENT OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS
- 26 WITHIN THE STATE OF MICHIGAN.
- 27 SEC. 13. (1) A PERSON SHALL NOT ENGAGE IN OR OFFER TO ENGAGE

- 1 IN THE BUSINESS OF BEING A CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS UNLESS
- 2 LICENSED UNDER THIS ARTICLE.
- 3 (2) THE COMMISSION SHALL ISSUE A LICENSE TO A CARRIER SEEKING
- 4 LICENSURE UNDER THIS ARTICLE AS A MOVER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS WHO
- 5 COMPLIES WITH ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 6 (A) APPLIES IN THE MANNER PROVIDED FOR BY THE COMMISSION AND
- 7 HAS DISCLOSED THE BACKGROUND INFORMATION REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION
- 8 (3).
- 9 (B) SUBMITS THE APPLICATION FEE OF \$500.00 AND THE PER YEAR
- 10 LICENSE FEE OF \$300.00.
- 11 (C) IS OF GOOD MORAL CHARACTER.
- 12 (D) PAYS THE PER TRUCK FEE AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 2 OF ARTICLE
- 13 IV.
- 14 (3) AS PART OF THE APPLICATION PROCESS, THE APPLICANT SHALL
- 15 DISCLOSE THE FOLLOWING REGARDING THE APPLICANT, OR A SHAREHOLDER OR
- 16 PERSON WITH AN OWNERSHIP INTEREST IN THE APPLICANT, IN A MANNER
- 17 PROVIDED FOR BY THE COMMISSION:
- 18 (A) ANY FELONY CONVICTIONS IN THIS OR ANY OTHER STATE.
- 19 (B) ANY MISDEMEANOR CONVICTIONS INVOLVING FRAUD, EMBEZZLEMENT,
- 20 LARCENY, OR MISREPRESENTATION.
- 21 (C) ANY FAILURE TO SATISFY ANY CIVIL FINES OR ADMINISTRATIVE
- 22 FINES IMPOSED BY A LOCAL, STATE, OR FEDERAL GOVERNMENTAL BODY OR
- 23 AGENCY.
- 24 (D) ANY PENDING CRIMINAL OR ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS BEFORE
- 25 A LOCAL, STATE, OR FEDERAL GOVERNMENTAL BODY OR AGENCY.
- 26 (E) ANY JUDGMENTS OR ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS OR ORDERS ENTERED
- 27 OR FILED BY A STATE OR FEDERAL GOVERNMENTAL BODY OR AGENCY.

- 1 (F) ANY JUDGMENTS OR ORDERS ENTERED OR FILED REGARDING A
- 2 VIOLATION OF THE MICHIGAN CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT, 1976 PA 331, MCL
- 3 445.901 TO 445.922, OR THE CONSUMER PROTECTION PROVISIONS OF 49
- 4 CFR, PARTS 375 AND 377, ADMINISTERED BY THE FEDERAL MOTOR CARRIER
- 5 SAFETY ADMINISTRATION OF THE FEDERAL DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.
- 6 (G) PROOF OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS OF
- 7 SECTION 14.
- 8 (H) PROOF OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE SAFETY REQUIREMENTS IMPOSED
- 9 BY THE COMMISSION BY RULE AND, UPON COMMISSION REQUEST, A FINDING
- 10 BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE THAT THE CARRIER IS IN COMPLIANCE
- 11 WITH THE MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY ACT OF 1963, 1963 PA 181, MCL 480.11
- 12 TO 480.22.
- 13 (4) UPON DENYING AN APPLICATION FOR LICENSURE AS A CARRIER OF
- 14 HOUSEHOLD GOODS, THE COMMISSION SHALL SPECIFICALLY LIST IN WRITING
- 15 THE REASONS FOR THE DENIAL. IF THE DENIAL IS BASED UPON FAILURE TO
- 16 MAKE CERTAIN DISCLOSURES OR COMPLETE THE ENTIRE APPLICATION, THE
- 17 COMMISSION SHALL SPECIFICALLY INDICATE THOSE FAILURES AND ALLOW THE
- 18 APPLICANT A REASONABLE TIME TO CORRECT THOSE FAILURES. IN THE CASE
- 19 OF AN APPLICANT WHO COMPLETES THE APPLICATION AND MAKES ALL OF THE
- 20 REQUIRED DISCLOSURES BUT IS DENIED LICENSURE UNDER THIS ARTICLE FOR
- 21 SPECIFIC REASON DESCRIBED BY THE COMMISSION, THE APPLICANT MAY
- 22 APPLY IN WRITING TO THE COMMISSION FOR A LIMITED OR PROBATIONARY
- 23 LICENSE. THE REQUEST FOR A LIMITED OR PROBATIONARY LICENSE SHALL BE
- 24 ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADDITIONAL APPLICATION FEE OF \$100.00. THE
- 25 COMMISSION MAY ISSUE A LIMITED OR PROBATIONARY LICENSE TO AN
- 26 APPLICANT THAT THE COMMISSION DETERMINES IS LIKELY TO SERVE THE
- 27 PUBLIC IN A FAIR AND HONEST MANNER UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES. THE

- 1 COMMISSION SHALL NOT ISSUE A LIMITED OR PROBATIONARY LICENSE TO AN
- 2 APPLICANT THAT DOES NOT COMPLY WITH THE INSURANCE AND SAFETY
- 3 REQUIREMENTS IMPOSED IN SUBSECTION (3)(G) AND (H). THE COMMISSION
- 4 SHALL CONSIDER THE APPLICATION FOR A LIMITED OR PROBATIONARY
- 5 LICENSE AND RESPOND TO THE APPLICANT WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER ITS
- 6 SUBMISSION TO THE COMMISSION. THE COMMISSION SHALL ISSUE A WRITTEN
- 7 ORDER DESCRIBING THE REASONS FOR THE GRANT OR DENIAL. A LIMITED OR
- 8 PROBATIONARY LICENSE IS RENEWABLE IN THE SAME MANNER AS REGULAR
- 9 LICENSES.
- 10 (5) IN DECIDING WHETHER TO ISSUE OR DENY A LICENSE UNDER THIS
- 11 SECTION, THE COMMISSION SHALL SEEK TO PROMOTE ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 12 (A) SAFETY ON THE HIGHWAYS.
- 13 (B) COMPETITION AMONG MOVERS.
- 14 (C) ENTREPRENEURSHIP IN THE HOUSEHOLD GOODS INDUSTRY.
- 15 (D) THE USE OF ALL METHODS OF PRICING HOUSEHOLD GOODS MOVES
- 16 INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE USE OF HOURLY, WEIGHT AND
- 17 DISTANCE, AND PIECE METHODS OF CHARGING.
- 18 (E) CONSUMER PROTECTION.
- 19 SEC. 14. (1) A PERSON SEEKING A LICENSE UNDER THIS ARTICLE AS
- 20 A CARRIER MOVING HOUSEHOLD GOODS SHALL HAVE GENERAL LIABILITY
- 21 INSURANCE COVERAGE REQUIRED BY THE COMMISSION UNDER SECTION 9 OF
- 22 ARTICLE V AND ANY RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THAT SECTION, INSURANCE
- 23 AS REQUIRED BY LAW FOR EMPLOYERS OR OTHER PERSONS DOING BUSINESS IN
- 24 THIS STATE, AND CARGO INSURANCE OF THE TYPE AND IN THE AMOUNT
- 25 REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (2).
- 26 (2) A PERSON SEEKING A LICENSE UNDER THIS ARTICLE AS A CARRIER
- 27 MOVING HOUSEHOLD GOODS SHALL HAVE CARGO INSURANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF

- 1 AT LEAST \$50,000.00 PER SHIPMENT.
- 2 SEC. 15. (1) BEFORE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT FOR MOVING
- 3 HOUSEHOLD GOODS, A CARRIER LICENSED UNDER THIS ARTICLE SHALL MAKE A
- 4 WRITTEN ESTIMATE OF THE TOTAL COST OF THE MOVE. CARRIERS HAVE THE
- 5 OPTION OF PROVIDING A BINDING OR NONBINDING ESTIMATE TO THE
- 6 SHIPPER. A PLACE SHALL BE PROVIDED ON THE ESTIMATE FORM FOR
- 7 SHIPPERS TO INITIAL THEIR UNDERSTANDING THAT THEY ARE AGREEING TO
- 8 EITHER A BINDING OR A NONBINDING ESTIMATE OF PRICING. THE ESTIMATE
- 9 MAY BE MADE USING ANY METHOD OF PRICING INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED
- 10 TO, HOURLY CHARGES, PIECE CHARGES, OR WEIGHT AND DISTANCE CHARGES,
- 11 AND SHALL INCLUDE THE METHOD FOR COMPUTING REIMBURSEMENT TO THE
- 12 CONSUMER FOR BROKEN OR DAMAGED ITEMS AS FURTHER DESCRIBED IN
- 13 SUBSECTION (2). ANY ADDITIONAL CHARGES SHALL BE SEPARATELY STATED
- 14 AND ITEMIZED ON THE ESTIMATE. BINDING AND NONBINDING ESTIMATES
- 15 SHALL CLEARLY DESCRIBE THE SHIPMENT AND ALL SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED
- 16 AND SHALL BE RETAINED BY THE CARRIER AS AN ADDENDUM TO THE BILL OF
- 17 LADING. MOVERS OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS FURNISHING NONBINDING ESTIMATES
- 18 SHALL ENTER THE ESTIMATED CHARGES ON THE BILL OF LADING. THE
- 19 ESTIMATE SHALL CONTAIN A SEPARATE PLACE ON THE ESTIMATE FOR THE
- 20 CONSUMER TO INITIAL OR SIGN AN ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF THE
- 21 CONSUMER RIGHTS BROCHURE DESCRIBED IN SECTION 18(2).
- 22 (2) THE CARRIER SHALL OFFER BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING CHOICES,
- 23 ATTACHED TO OR MADE AS A SEPARATE SECTION OF THE ESTIMATE, TO THE
- 24 CONSUMER, TO BE SIGNED OR INITIALED BY THE CONSUMER NOTING HIS OR
- 25 HER CHOICE, REGARDING BROKEN OR DAMAGED ITEMS:
- 26 (A) DEPRECIATED VALUE, REIMBURSING THE DEPRECIATED VALUE OF
- 27 THE ITEM OR NOT LESS THAN \$2.25 PER POUND.

- 1 (B) REPLACEMENT VALUE, REIMBURSING THE REPLACEMENT VALUE OF
- 2 THE ITEM OR NOT LESS THAN \$4.00 PER POUND.
- 3 (3) A WRITTEN CONTRACT SHALL BE PROVIDED TO THE CONSUMER,
- 4 SHALL BE SIGNED AND DATED BY THE PARTIES, AND SHALL INCLUDE AT
- 5 LEAST THE FOLLOWING:
- 6 (A) THE NAME, TELEPHONE NUMBER, AND ADDRESS WHERE THE
- 7 CARRIER'S EMPLOYEES ARE AVAILABLE DURING NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS.
- 8 (B) THE DATE THE CONTRACT IS PREPARED AND THE PROPOSED DATE OF
- 9 THE MOVE.
- 10 (C) THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE CONSUMER, THE ADDRESSES WHERE
- 11 THE ITEMS ARE TO BE PICKED UP AND DELIVERED, AND A TELEPHONE NUMBER
- 12 WHERE THE CONSUMER MAY BE REACHED.
- 13 (D) AN ITEMIZED BREAKDOWN AND DESCRIPTION AND ESTIMATED TOTAL
- 14 OF ALL COSTS FOR ALL SERVICES.
- 15 (E) THE ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF PAYMENT.
- 16 (4) A CARRIER MAY COMBINE THE ESTIMATE AND CONTRACT INTO 1
- 17 DOCUMENT SO LONG AS IT COMPLIES WITH THIS SECTION.
- 18 (5) A CONTRACTUAL PROVISION THAT CONTRAVENES THE PROVISIONS OF
- 19 THIS SECTION IS VOIDABLE BY THE CONSUMER.
- 20 SEC. 16. (1) A CARRIER SHALL DELIVER AND RELINQUISH THE
- 21 HOUSEHOLD GOODS AFTER PAYMENT OF THE AMOUNT IN THE ESTIMATE. THE
- 22 CARRIER MAY PLACE THE HOUSEHOLD GOODS IN STORAGE IF PAYMENT IS NOT
- 23 MADE ACCORDING TO THE CONTRACT.
- 24 (2) UPON EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT FOR MOVING HOUSEHOLD GOODS
- 25 BASED UPON A NONBINDING ESTIMATE, IF THE COST OF MOVING THE
- 26 HOUSEHOLD GOODS EXCEEDS THE AMOUNT IN THE WRITTEN NONBINDING
- 27 ESTIMATE, THE CARRIER MAY SEEK ADDITIONAL PAYMENT AFTER DELIVERY OF

- 1 THE HOUSEHOLD GOODS UPON THE EXPIRATION OF 30 DAYS AFTER THE
- 2 DELIVERY OF THE HOUSEHOLD GOODS.
- 3 (3) UPON EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT FOR MOVING HOUSEHOLD GOODS
- 4 BASED UPON A BINDING ESTIMATE, THE ESTIMATE SHALL CONSTITUTE THE
- 5 TOTAL CHARGES THE CARRIER MAY COLLECT FROM THE CONSUMER. UPON
- 6 PAYMENT OF THE BINDING ESTIMATE, FURTHER COLLECTION OF PAYMENTS IS
- 7 NOT ALLOWED.
- 8 (4) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (3), A CARRIER MAY SEEK
- 9 ADDITIONAL PAYMENT FROM THE CONSUMER FOR STORAGE COSTS INCURRED
- 10 UNDER SUBSECTION (1) IF PAYMENT IS NOT MADE ACCORDING TO THE
- 11 CONTRACT.
- 12 SEC. 17. A PERSON LICENSED UNDER THIS ARTICLE SHALL NOT DO ANY
- 13 OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 14 (A) KNOWINGLY MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT, REPRESENTATION, OR
- 15 CERTIFICATION ON ANY APPLICATION, DOCUMENT, OR RECORD SUBMITTED
- 16 UNDER THIS ARTICLE.
- 17 (B) MISREPRESENT ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 18 (i) A CONTRACT FOR SERVICE, BILL OF LADING, OR INVENTORY
- 19 HOUSEHOLD GOODS IN THE ESTIMATE.
- 20 (ii) THE TIME FRAME OR SCHEDULE FOR DELIVERY OR STORAGE OF
- 21 HOUSEHOLD GOODS.
- 22 (iii) THE PRICE, SIZE, NATURE, EXTENT, QUALITIES, OR
- 23 CHARACTERISTICS OF MOVING OR OTHER SERVICES OFFERED.
- 24 (iv) THE NATURE OR EXTENT OF OTHER GOODS, SERVICES, OR
- 25 AMENITIES OFFERED.
- 26 (v) A CONSUMER'S RIGHTS, PRIVILEGES, OR BENEFITS.
- 27 (C) FAIL TO HONOR OR COMPLY WITH ALL THE PROVISIONS OF A

- 1 CONTRACT FOR SERVICES REGARDING THE CONSUMER'S RIGHTS, BENEFITS,
- 2 AND PRIVILEGES UNDER THAT CONTRACT.
- 3 (D) WITHHOLD DELIVERY OR IN ANY WAY HOLD HOUSEHOLD GOODS IN
- 4 STORAGE AGAINST THE EXPRESSED WISHES OF THE CONSUMER IF PAYMENT HAS
- 5 BEEN MADE AS DESCRIBED IN THE CONTRACT OR ESTIMATE.
- 6 (E) SEEK, SOLICIT, OR INCLUDE IN ANY CONTRACT A PROVISION
- 7 PURPORTING TO WAIVE OR LIMIT ANY RIGHT OR BENEFIT PROVIDED TO
- 8 CONSUMERS UNDER THIS ACT.
- 9 (F) ADVERTISE OR SOLICIT BUSINESS UNLESS THE CARRIER'S
- 10 BUSINESS ADDRESS IS CLEARLY DISCLOSED.
- 11 (G) ENGAGE IN ANY ACT THAT CONSTITUTES FRAUD,
- 12 MISREPRESENTATION, OR FAILURE TO DISCLOSE A MATERIAL FACT IN A
- 13 TRANSACTION UNDER THIS ARTICLE.
- 14 (H) REFUSE OR FAIL AFTER NOTICE TO PRODUCE ANY DOCUMENT,
- 15 RECORD, OR INFORMATION REQUIRED TO BE DISCLOSED OR PRODUCED UNDER
- 16 THIS ACT.
- 17 (I) KNOWINGLY MAKE A MATERIALLY FALSE STATEMENT IN RESPONSE TO
- 18 ANY REQUEST OR INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED BY THE COMMISSION.
- 19 SEC. 18. (1) THE COMMISSION MAY PROMULGATE RULES UNDER THE
- 20 ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT OF 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 TO
- 21 24.328, TO ADMINISTER AND ENFORCE THIS ARTICLE, AND MAY ISSUE
- 22 ORDERS TO ENFORCE THIS ARTICLE.
- 23 (2) THE COMMISSION SHALL DEVELOP A CONSUMER RIGHTS BROCHURE TO
- 24 BE PROVIDED TO THE CARRIERS LICENSED UNDER THIS ARTICLE FOR
- 25 DISTRIBUTION TO CONSUMERS.
- 26 SEC. 19. (1) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS ARTICLE, A RULE
- 27 PROMULGATED UNDER THIS ARTICLE, OR AN ORDER ISSUED BY THE

- 1 COMMISSION UNDER THIS ARTICLE IS SUBJECT TO 1 OR MORE OF THE
- 2 FOLLOWING AFTER NOTICE AND OPPORTUNITY FOR A HEARING UNDER THE
- 3 ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT OF 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 TO
- 4 24.328:
- 5 (A) SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF A LICENSE ISSUED UNDER THIS
- 6 ARTICLE OR DENIAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR LICENSURE UNDER THIS
- 7 ARTICLE.
- 8 (B) A CONSENT ORDER.
- 9 (C) PROBATION OR LIMITATION OF A LICENSE.
- 10 (D) ISSUANCE OF A CEASE AND DESIST ORDER.
- 11 (E) RESTITUTION.
- 12 (F) AN ADMINISTRATIVE FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$5,000.00 PER
- 13 OFFENSE.
- 14 (2) A CONSUMER MAY INSTITUTE AN ACTION IN A COURT OF COMPETENT
- 15 JURISDICTION FOR DAMAGES OR EQUITABLE RELIEF REGARDING A VIOLATION
- 16 OF THIS ARTICLE BY A LICENSEE.
- 17 (3) THE COMMISSION MAY INSTITUTE AN ACTION IN A COURT OF
- 18 COMPETENT JURISDICTION FOR DAMAGES, EQUITABLE RELIEF REGARDING A
- 19 VIOLATION OF THIS ARTICLE BY A LICENSEE, A JUDGMENT OR FINAL
- 20 ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER FOR RESTITUTION ON BEHALF OF A CONSUMER, OR
- 21 THE COLLECTION OF ANY CIVIL OR ADMINISTRATIVE FINE IMPOSED UNDER
- 22 THIS ARTICLE.
- 23 (4) THE COMMISSION MAY INSTITUTE AN ACTION IN A COURT OF
- 24 COMPETENT JURISDICTION FOR A CIVIL FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$5,000.00
- 25 FOR A VIOLATION OF THIS ARTICLE BY A LICENSEE.
- 26 (5) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS ARTICLE IS GUILTY OF A
- 27 MISDEMEANOR AND SHALL BE IMPRISONED NOT MORE THAN 90 DAYS OR FINED

- 1 NOT MORE THAN \$10,000.00, OR BOTH.
- 2 (6) THE REMEDIES AND PENALTIES IN THIS ARTICLE ARE CUMULATIVE
- 3 AND RELIEF UNDER 1 REMEDY DOES NOT BAR RELIEF UNDER ANY OTHER
- 4 REMEDY.
- 5 ARTICLE V
- 6 Sec. 2. (1) This act -shall DOES not apply to any of the
- 7 following:
- 8 (a) A vehicle operated entirely within a city or village of
- 9 this state; or to a motor carrier of property whose operations may
- 10 extend a distance of not more than 8 miles beyond the boundary of a
- 11 city or village having a population of less than 500,000, if the
- 12 origin and destination of the property being transported is within
- 13 an 8-mile radius of the city or village. The territory within the
- 14 external corporate limits of a city, even though it includes and
- 15 embraces the area of 1 or more separately organized and existing
- 16 cities, shall be considered a single city. Notwithstanding any
- 17 other provision of this subdivision, a certificate or permit issued
- 18 under this act is required for the operation of a vehicle of a
- 19 motor carrier, other than a vehicle exempted under subdivisions (b)
- 20 to (p), in the transportation of property between a city having a
- 21 population of 500,000 or more and a city or village located within
- 22 the commercial zone of a city having a population of 500,000 or
- 23 more, or between cities or villages within that commercial zone. As
- 24 used in this subdivision, "commercial zone" means the area within
- 25 an 8-mile radius of a city having a population of 500,000 or more
- 26 and includes all cities and villages, any part of which are located
- 27 within that 8-mile radius.

- 1 (b) A vehicle owned or operated by the state or the United
- 2 States, or by a state or federal corporation, agency, or
- 3 instrumentality.
- 4 (c) A vehicle owned or operated by an incorporated city,
- 5 village, or school district, or by a county or township in the
- 6 state or by a corporation, agency, or instrumentality of the state,
- 7 for governmental purposes.
- 8 (d) A vehicle used exclusively for carrying United States
- 9 mail.
- (e) A vehicle used for the transportation of farm products,
- 11 including livestock, when transported by other than the owner, from
- 12 the farm to the market in the raw state, or used for the
- 13 transportation of milk from the farm to milk stations, or trucks
- 14 owned by a farmer bearing a farm truck license issued under section
- 15 801(1)(c) of the Michigan vehicle code, Act No. 300 of the Public
- 16 Acts of 1949, being section 257.801 of the Michigan Compiled Laws
- 17 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.801, when being used by the farmer in hauling
- 18 farm produce, livestock, or farm equipment, and supplies for other
- 19 farmers for remuneration in kind or in labor, but not for money.
- 20 (f) A vehicle used for the transportation of fruits, eggs,
- 21 poultry, fish and seafood, grain, vegetables, seeds, nursery stock,
- 22 horticultural products, and sugar beets. This subdivision shall
- 23 DOES not exempt a vehicle transporting the commodities described in
- 24 this subdivision in other than the raw state.
- 25 (g) A vehicle used for occasional accommodative service
- 26 including seasonal transportation of perishable commodities even
- 27 though the cost of the accommodative service and seasonal

- 1 transportation of perishable commodities may be paid by the person
- 2 accommodated.
- 3 (h) A dump truck having not more than 4 axles or any dump
- 4 vehicle moving directly to and from a public highway, airport, or
- 5 railroad or bridge construction site, when used for the
- 6 transportation of sand, gravel, slag, stone, limestone, crushed
- 7 stone, marl, pebbles, cinders, bituminous aggregates, asphalt,
- 8 blacktop, dirt, or fill material, or any dump vehicle transporting
- 9 commodities generally transported in the dump vehicle operating
- 10 within an 8-mile radius of a city having a population of 500,000 or
- 11 more and including all other cities or villages, any part of which
- 12 is located within the 8-mile radius.
- 13 (i) A vehicle used to transport a vehicle that is temporarily
- 14 disabled from a point within an 8-mile radius of a city having a
- 15 population of 500,000 or more and including all other cities or
- 16 villages, any part of which is located within the 8-mile radius to
- 17 another point within that radius.
- 18 (j) A vehicle used for the transportation of pulpwood, logs,
- 19 wood chips, bark, and sawdust when the vehicle is being used to
- 20 move the commodities from a forest, woodlot, cutting site, sawmill,
- 21 or chipping site to a market or railroad siding of not more than a
- 22 140-mile radius from the place where the vehicle is loaded.
- 23 (k) A vehicle having a manufacturer's rating of not more than
- 24 1-1/2 tons capacity or the equivalent gross vehicle weight rating
- 25 used for the transportation of newspapers.
- 26 (1) A vehicle towing a disabled motor vehicle from the location
- 27 at which it was disabled to another location or a vehicle towing a

- 1 motor vehicle involved in an accident from the location of the
- 2 accident to another location.
- 3 (m) A vehicle used in the transportation of livestock, poultry
- 4 feed, chemicals, pesticides, and fertilizers on movements directly
- 5 to a farm for use in agricultural production.
- 6 (n) A vehicle used for the transportation of property for
- 7 compensation provided by a person who is a member of a corporate
- 8 family for other members of the corporate family, if all of the
- 9 following conditions are met:
- 10 (i) The parent corporation notifies the commission annually of
- 11 its intent or the intent of 1 of its subsidiaries to provide the
- 12 transportation.
- 13 (ii) The notice described in subparagraph (i) contains a list of
- 14 participating subsidiaries and an affidavit that the parent
- 15 corporation owns directly or indirectly a 100% interest in each of
- 16 the subsidiaries.
- 17 (iii) The notice described in subparagraph (i) is accompanied by
- **18** a fee of \$100.00.
- 19 (iv) The commission publishes the notice described in
- 20 subparagraph (i) in the biweekly bulletin.
- 21 (v) A copy of the notice described in subparagraph (i) is
- 22 carried in the cab of all vehicles conducting the transportation.
- 23 (o) A vehicle transporting animal and poultry feed or feed
- 24 ingredients to sites of agricultural production or to a business
- 25 enterprise engaged in the sale to agricultural producers of goods
- 26 used in agricultural production.
- (p) A vehicle transporting recyclable materials to or from a

- 1 resource recovery facility. The terms "recyclable materials"
- 2 "RECYCLABLE MATERIALS" and "resource recovery facility" have the
- 3 meanings attributed to these MEAN THOSE terms AS DEFINED in part
- 4 115 (solid waste management) SECTION 11505 of the natural
- 5 resources and environmental protection act, Act No. 451 of the
- 6 Public Acts of 1994, being sections 324.11501 to 324.11549 of the
- 7 Michigan Compiled Laws 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.11505, except that the
- 8 term recyclable materials does not include industrial scrap metal.
- 9 This subdivision shall not be construed to exempt from this act a
- vehicle transporting new products.
- 11 (2) THE MOVERS OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS ARE REGULATED AS PROVIDED
- 12 FOR UNDER ARTICLE I-A.
- 13 (3) $\frac{(2)}{}$ As used in subsection (1)(n), "corporate family"
- 14 means a group of corporations consisting of a parent corporation
- 15 and all subsidiaries in which the parent corporation owns directly
- 16 or indirectly a 100% interest.
- 17 (4) -(3)— None of the exemptions in this section, where
- 18 applicable, apply to a vehicle entering this state from another
- 19 state, foreign country, or subdivision of a state or foreign
- 20 country that does not extend similar exemptions to vehicles from
- 21 this state entering the state, foreign country, or subdivision.
- 22 Sec. 10a. (1) The lease, contract, or arrangement under which
- 23 a holder augments his or her equipment shall specify the period for
- 24 which the equipment is to be operated, which shall not be less than
- 25 30 days, and shall include a provision that the vehicle has, within
- 26 the immediately preceding 12 months, passed an inspection pursuant
- 27 to the requirements of the motor carrier safety act, Act No. 181

- 1 of the Public Acts of 1963, being sections 480.11 to 480.21 of the
- 2 Michigan Compiled Laws 1963 PA 181, MCL 480.11 TO 480.22, and 49
- **3** C.F.R. **CFR** part 396.
- 4 (2) The lease, contract, or arrangement shall specify the
- 5 compensation to be paid by the lessee or party to the contract or
- 6 arrangement for the rental or use of the equipment.
- 7 (3) The lease, contract, or arrangement shall specify the time
- 8 and date or the circumstance on which the contract, lease, or other
- 9 arrangement begins, and the time or circumstance on which it ends.
- 10 (4) The lease, contract, or arrangement shall vest in the
- 11 holder of the vehicle exclusive possession and control of the
- 12 vehicle for the entire term of the lease, contract, or arrangement.
- 13 (5) The lease, contract, or arrangement shall provide that any
- 14 operation of the vehicle shall be conducted under the exclusive
- 15 supervision, direction, and control of the holder.
- 16 (6) The lease, contract, or arrangement shall provide that the
- 17 vehicle, at all times, while being operated under the lease,
- 18 contract, or arrangement, shall be operated only by persons who are
- 19 employees of the holder who stand in relation to the holder as
- 20 employee to employer.
- 21 (7) The lease, contract, or arrangement shall be in the
- 22 manner, form, and further content as the commission by rule
- 23 provides BY RULE.
- 24 (8) The lease, contract, or arrangement shall be executed in
- 25 quadruplicate; the original shall be filed with the commission. One
- 26 copy shall be retained by the authorized motor carrier in whose
- 27 service the equipment is to be operated, 1 copy shall be retained

- 1 by the owner of the equipment, and 1 copy shall be carried on the
- 2 equipment specified in the lease, contract, or arrangement during
- 3 the entire period of the contract, lease, or other arrangement.
- 4 (9) Nothing in this THIS section shall DOES NOT apply to
- 5 the interchange with other certificated motor common carriers or
- 6 the multiple certification of motor carrier equipment when specific
- 7 approval and authority to interchange the equipment has been or is
- 8 granted by the commission.
- 9 (10) The provisions of subsection SUBSECTION (1) -shall
- 10 DOES not apply to -or be required of or between movers of
- 11 household goods, when the equipment is used to transport household
- 12 goods as defined by the commission UNDER ARTICLE I-A.
- 13 Enacting section 1. Section 7c of article II of the motor
- 14 carrier act, 1933 PA 254, MCL 476.7c, is repealed.

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