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ENROLLED HOUSE BILL No. 5356

AN ACT to amend 1972 PA 284, entitled "An act to provide for the organization and regulation of corporations; to prescribe their duties, rights, powers, immunities and liabilities; to provide for the authorization of foreign corporations within this state; to prescribe the functions of the administrator of this act; to prescribe penalties for violations of this act; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts," by amending sections 131, 201, 211, 217, 241, 545a, 564a, 564b, 762, 1002, and 1060 (MCL 450.1131, 450.1201, 450.1211, 450.1217, 450.1241, 450.1545a, 450.1564a, 450.1564b, 450.1762, 450.2002, and 450.2060), section 131 as amended by 2005 PA 217, sections 211 and 241 as amended and section 545a as added by 1989 PA 121, sections 217, 564a, and 762 as amended by 1997 PA 118, section 564b as amended by 2001 PA 57, and section 1060 as amended by 2007 PA 83, and by adding sections 745, 746, and 806; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

- Sec. 131. (1) A document required or permitted to be filed under this act shall be submitted by delivering the document to the administrator together with the fees and accompanying documents required by law. The administrator may establish a procedure for accepting delivery of a document submitted under this subsection by facsimile or other electronic transmission. However, by December 31, 2006, the administrator shall establish a procedure for accepting delivery of a document submitted under this subsection by electronic mail or over the Internet. Beginning January 1, 2007, the administrator shall accept delivery of documents submitted by electronic mail or over the Internet.
- (2) If a document submitted under subsection (1) substantially conforms to the requirements of this act, the administrator shall endorse upon it the word "filed" with his or her official title and the date of receipt and of filing and shall file and index the document or a photostatic, micrographic, photographic, optical disc media, or other reproduced copy in his or her office. If requested at the time of the delivery of the document to his or her office, the administrator shall include the hour of filing in the endorsement on the document.
- (3) The administrator shall return a copy of a document filed under subsection (2), other than an annual report, or, at his or her discretion, the original, to the person who submitted it for filing. The administrator shall mark the filing date on the copy or original before returning it or, if the document was submitted by electronic mail or over the Internet, may provide proof of the filing date to the person who submitted the document for filing in another manner determined by the administrator.
- (4) The records and files of the administrator relating to domestic and foreign corporations shall be open to reasonable inspection by the public. The administrator may maintain records or files either in their original form or in photostatic, micrographic, photographic, optical disc media, or other reproduced form.
- (5) The administrator may make copies of any documents filed under this act or any predecessor act by photostatic, micrographic, photographic, optical disc media, or other reproduced form and may destroy the originals of the copied documents. A photostatic, micrographic, photographic, optical disc media, or other reproduced copy certified by the

administrator, including a copy sent by facsimile or other electronic transmission, is considered an original for all purposes and is admissible in evidence in like manner as an original.

- (6) Except as provided in section 806, a document filed under subsection (2) is effective at the time it is endorsed unless a subsequent effective time, not later than 90 days after the date of delivery, is set forth in the document.
- (7) The administrator shall charge 1 of the following nonrefundable fees if expedited filing of a document by the administrator is requested and the administrator shall retain the revenue collected under this subsection and the department shall use it to carry out its duties required by law:
- (a) For any filing that a person requests the administrator to complete within 1 hour on the same day as the day of the request, \$1,000.00. The department may establish a deadline by which a person must submit a request for filing under this subdivision.
- (b) For any filing that a person requests the administrator to complete within 2 hours on the same day as the day of the request, \$500.00. The department may establish a deadline by which a person must submit a request for filing under this subdivision.
- (c) Except for a filing request under subdivision (a) or (b), for the filing of any formation or qualification document that a person requests the administrator to complete on the same day as the day of the request, \$100.00. The department may establish a deadline by which a person must submit a request for filing under this subdivision.
- (d) Except for a filing request under subdivision (a) or (b), for the filing of any other document concerning an existing domestic corporation or a qualified foreign corporation that a person requests the administrator to complete on the same day as the day of the request, \$200.00. The department may establish a deadline by which a person must submit a request for filing under this subdivision.
- (e) For the filing of any formation or qualification document that a person requests the administrator to complete within 24 hours of the time the administrator receives the request, \$50.00.
- (f) For the filing of any other document concerning an existing domestic corporation or a qualified foreign corporation that a person requests the administrator to complete within 24 hours of the time the administrator receives the request, \$100.00.
- Sec. 201. One or more persons may be the incorporators of a corporation by signing and filing articles of incorporation for the corporation.
- Sec. 211. The corporate name of a domestic corporation shall contain the word "corporation", "company", "incorporated", or "limited" or shall contain 1 of the following abbreviations: corp., co., inc., or ltd., with or without periods.
- Sec. 217. (1) A domestic or foreign corporation may transact business under any assumed name or names other than its corporate name, if not precluded from use by section 212, by filing a certificate stating the true name of the corporation and the assumed name under which the business is to be transacted. The certificate is effective, unless sooner terminated by filing a certificate of termination or by the dissolution or withdrawal of the corporation, for a period expiring on December 31 of the fifth full calendar year following the year in which it was filed. The certificate of assumed name may be extended for additional consecutive periods of 5 full calendar years each by filing similar certificates not earlier than 90 days before the expiration of the initial or a subsequent 5-year period. The administrator shall notify the corporation of the impending expiration of the certificate of assumed name not later than 90 days before the expiration of the initial or a subsequent 5-year period. A certificate of assumed name filed under this section does not create substantive rights to the use of a particular assumed name.
- (2) The same name may be assumed by 2 or more corporations, or by 1 or more corporations and 1 or more limited partnerships or other enterprises participating together in a partnership or joint venture. Each participant corporation shall file a certificate under this section.
- (3) A corporation participating in a merger, or any other entity participating in a merger under section 736, may transfer to the surviving entity the use of an assumed name for which a certificate of assumed name is on file with the administrator before the merger, if the transfer is noted in the certificate of merger as provided in section 707(1)(g), 712(1)(c), or 736(7)(f), or other applicable statute. The use of an assumed name transferred under this subsection may continue for the remaining effective period of the certificate of assumed name on file before the merger, and the surviving entity may terminate or extend the certificate of assumed name in accordance with subsection (1).
- (4) A corporation surviving a merger may use as an assumed name the corporate name of a merging corporation, or the name of any other entity participating in the merger under section 736, by filing a certificate of assumed name under subsection (1) or by providing for the use of the name as an assumed name in the certificate of merger. The surviving corporation also may file a certificate of assumed name under subsection (1) or provide in the certificate of merger for the use as an assumed name of an assumed name of a merging entity not transferred under subsection (3). A provision in a certificate of merger under this subsection shall be treated as a new certificate of assumed name.

- (5) A business organization into which a corporation has converted under section 745 may use an assumed name of the converting corporation, if the corporation has a certificate of assumed name for that assumed name on file with the administrator before the conversion, by providing for the use of the name as an assumed name in the certificate of conversion. The use of an assumed name under this subsection may continue for the remaining effective period of the certificate of assumed name on file before the conversion, and the surviving business organization may terminate or extend the certificate of assumed name in the manner described in subsection (1).
- (6) A corporation into which 1 or more business organizations have converted under section 746 may use as an assumed name the name of any business organization converting into that corporation, or use as an assumed name an assumed name of that business organization, by filing a certificate of assumed name under subsection (1) or by providing for the use of that name or assumed name as an assumed name of the corporation in the certificate of conversion. A provision in the certificate of conversion under this subsection shall be treated as a new certificate of assumed name.
- Sec. 241. Each domestic corporation and each foreign corporation authorized to transact business in this state shall have and continuously maintain in this state both of the following:
 - (a) A registered office which may be the same as its place of business.
- (b) A resident agent. A resident agent may be either an individual resident in this state whose business office or residence is identical with the registered office; a domestic corporation or a limited liability company; or a foreign corporation or limited liability company authorized to transact business in this state that has a business office identical with the registered office.
- Sec. 545a. (1) A transaction in which a director or officer is determined to have an interest shall not, because of the interest, be enjoined, set aside, or give rise to an award of damages or other sanctions, in a proceeding by a shareholder or by or in the right of the corporation, if the person interested in the transaction establishes any of the following:
 - (a) The transaction was fair to the corporation at the time entered into.
- (b) The material facts of the transaction and the director's or officer's interest were disclosed or known to the board, a committee of the board, or the independent director or directors, and the board, committee, or independent director or directors authorized, approved, or ratified the transaction.
- (c) The material facts of the transaction and the director's or officer's interest were disclosed or known to the shareholders entitled to vote and they authorized, approved, or ratified the transaction.
- (2) For purposes of subsection (1)(b), a transaction is authorized, approved, or ratified if it received the affirmative vote of the majority of the directors on the board or the committee who had no interest in the transaction, though less than a quorum, or all independent directors who had no interest in the transaction. The presence of, or a vote cast by, a director with an interest in the transaction does not affect the validity of the action taken under subsection (1)(b).
- (3) For purposes of subsection (1)(c), a transaction is authorized, approved, or ratified if it received the majority of votes cast by the holders of shares who did not have an interest in the transaction. A majority of the shares held by shareholders who did not have an interest in the transaction constitutes a quorum for the purpose of taking action under subsection (1)(c).
- (4) Satisfying the requirements of subsection (1) does not preclude other claims relating to a transaction in which a director or officer is determined to have an interest. Those claims shall be evaluated under principles of law applicable to a transaction in which a director or officer does not have an interest.
- (5) The board, by affirmative vote of a majority of directors in office and irrespective of any personal interest of any of them, may establish reasonable compensation of directors for services to the corporation as directors or officers, but approval of the shareholders is required if the articles of incorporation, bylaws, or another provision of this act requires that approval. Transactions pertaining to the compensation of directors for services to the corporation as directors or officers shall not be enjoined, set aside, or give rise to an award of damages or other sanctions in a proceeding by a shareholder or by or in the right of the corporation unless it is shown that the compensation was unreasonable at the time established.
- Sec. 564a. (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (5), an indemnification under section 561 or 562, unless ordered by the court or required under section 563, shall be made by the corporation only as authorized in the specific case upon a determination that indemnification of the director, officer, employee, or agent is proper in the circumstances because he or she has met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in sections 561 and 562 and upon an evaluation of the reasonableness of expenses and amounts paid in settlement. This determination and evaluation shall be made in any of the following ways:
- (a) By a majority vote of a quorum of the board consisting of directors who are not parties or threatened to be made parties to the action, suit, or proceeding.

- (b) If a quorum cannot be obtained under subdivision (a), by majority vote of a committee duly designated by the board and consisting solely of 2 or more directors not at the time parties or threatened to be made parties to the action, suit, or proceeding.
 - (c) In a written opinion by independent legal counsel selected in 1 of the following ways:
 - (i) By the board or its committee in the manner prescribed in subdivision (a) or (b).
- (ii) If a quorum of the board cannot be obtained under subdivision (a) and a committee cannot be designated under subdivision (b), by the board.
- (d) By all independent directors who are not parties or threatened to be made parties to the action, suit, or proceeding.
- (e) By the shareholders, but shares held by directors, officers, employees, or agents who are parties or threatened to be made parties to the action, suit, or proceeding may not be voted.
- (2) In the designation of a committee under subsection (1)(b) or in the selection of independent legal counsel under subsection (1)(c)(ii), all directors may participate.
- (3) If a person is entitled to indemnification under section 561 or 562 for a portion of expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees, judgments, penalties, fines, and amounts paid in settlement, but not for the total amount, the corporation may indemnify the person for the portion of the expenses, judgments, penalties, fines, or amounts paid in settlement for which the person is entitled to be indemnified.
 - (4) An authorization of payment of indemnification under this section shall be made in any of the following ways:
 - (a) By the board in 1 of the following ways:
- (i) If there are 2 or more directors who are not parties or threatened to be made parties to the action, suit, or proceeding, by a majority vote of all directors who are not parties or threatened to be made parties, a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum for this purpose.
- (ii) By a majority of the members of a committee of 2 or more directors who are not parties or threatened to be made parties to the action, suit, or proceeding.
- (iii) If the corporation has 1 or more independent directors who are not parties or threatened to be made parties to the action, suit, or proceeding, by a majority vote of all independent directors who are not parties or are threatened to be made parties, a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum for this purpose.
- (iv) If there are no independent directors and less than 2 directors who are not parties or threatened to be made parties to the action, suit, or proceeding, by the vote necessary for action by the board in accordance with section 523, in which authorization all directors may participate.
- (b) By the shareholders, but shares held by directors, officers, employees, or agents who are parties or threatened to be made parties to the action, suit, or proceeding may not be voted on the authorization.
- (5) To the extent that the articles of incorporation include a provision eliminating or limiting the liability of a director pursuant to section 209(1)(c), a corporation may indemnify a director for the expenses and liabilities described in this subsection without a determination that the director has met the standard of conduct set forth in sections 561 and 562, but no indemnification may be made except to the extent authorized in section 564c if the director received a financial benefit to which he or she was not entitled, intentionally inflicted harm on the corporation or its shareholders, violated section 551, or intentionally committed a criminal act. In connection with an action or suit by or in the right of the corporation described in section 562, indemnification under this subsection may be for expenses, including attorneys' fees, actually and reasonably incurred. In connection with an action, suit, or proceeding by or in the right of the corporation, as described in section 561, indemnification under this subsection may be for expenses, including attorneys' fees, actually and reasonably incurred, and for judgments, penalties, fines, and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred.
- Sec. 564b. (1) A corporation may pay or reimburse the reasonable expenses incurred by a director, officer, employee, or agent who is a party or threatened to be made a party to an action, suit, or proceeding in advance of final disposition of the proceeding if the person furnishes the corporation a written undertaking, executed personally or on his or her behalf, to repay the advance if it is ultimately determined that he or she did not meet the applicable standard of conduct, if any, required by this act for the indemnification of a person under the circumstances.
- (2) The undertaking required by subsection (1) must be an unlimited general obligation of the person but may be unsecured and may be accepted without reference to the financial ability of the person to make repayment.
- (3) An evaluation of reasonableness under this section shall be made in the manner specified in section 564a(1) for an evaluation of reasonableness of expenses, and an authorization shall be made in the manner specified in section 564a(4) unless an advance is mandatory. Authorization of advances with respect to a proceeding and a determination of reasonableness of advances or selection of a method for determining reasonableness may be made in a single action or resolution covering an entire proceeding. However, unless the action or resolution provides otherwise, the authorizing or determining authority may subsequently terminate or amend the authorization or determination with respect to advances not yet made.

- (4) A provision in the articles of incorporation or bylaws, a resolution of the board or shareholders, or an agreement making indemnification mandatory shall also make the advancement of expenses mandatory unless the provision, resolution, or agreement specifically provides otherwise.
- Sec. 745. (1) A domestic corporation may convert into a business organization if all of the following requirements are satisfied:
- (a) The conversion is permitted by the law that will govern the internal affairs of the business organization after conversion and the surviving business organization complies with that law in converting.
- (b) Unless subdivision (d) applies, the board of the domestic corporation proposing to convert adopts a plan of conversion that includes all of the following:
- (i) The name of the domestic corporation, the name of the business organization into which the domestic corporation is converting, the type of business organization into which the domestic corporation is converting, identification of the statute that will govern the internal affairs of the surviving business organization, the street address of the surviving business organization, the street address of the surviving business organization, and the principal place of business of the surviving business organization.
- (ii) For the domestic corporation, the designation and number of outstanding shares of each class and series, specifying the classes and series entitled to vote, each class and series entitled to vote as a class, and, if the number of shares is subject to change before the effective date of the conversion, the manner in which the change may occur.
- (iii) The terms and conditions of the proposed conversion, including the manner and basis of converting the shares into ownership interests or obligations of the surviving business organization, into cash, into other consideration that may include ownership interests or obligations of an entity that is not a party to the conversion, or into a combination of cash and other consideration.
- (iv) The terms and conditions of the organizational documents that are to govern the surviving business organization.
 - (v) Any other provisions with respect to the proposed conversion that the board considers necessary or desirable.
- (c) If the board adopts the plan of conversion under subdivision (b), the plan of conversion is submitted for approval in the same manner required for a merger under section 703a(2), including the procedures pertaining to dissenters' rights if any shareholder has the right to dissent under section 762.
- (d) If the domestic corporation has not commenced business, has not issued any shares, and has not elected a board, subdivisions (b) and (c) do not apply and the incorporators may approve of the conversion of the corporation into a business organization by unanimous consent. To effect the conversion, the majority of the incorporators must execute and file a certificate of conversion under subdivision (e).
- (e) After the plan of conversion is approved under subdivisions (b) and (c) or the conversion is approved under subdivision (d), the domestic corporation files any formation documents required to be filed under the laws governing the internal affairs of the surviving business organization, in the manner prescribed by those laws, and files a certificate of conversion with the administrator. The certificate of conversion shall include all of the following:
- (i) Unless subdivision (d) applies, all of the information described in subdivision (b)(i) and (ii) and the manner and basis of converting the shares of the domestic corporation contained in the plan of conversion.
- (ii) Unless subdivision (d) applies, a statement that the board has adopted the plan of conversion by the board under subdivision (c), or if subdivision (d) applies to the conversion, a statement that the domestic corporation has not commenced business, has not issued any shares, and has not elected a board and that the plan of conversion was approved by the unanimous consent of the incorporators.
- (iii) A statement that the surviving business organization will furnish a copy of the plan of conversion, on request and without cost, to any shareholder of the domestic corporation.
- (iv) If approval of the shareholders of the domestic corporation was required, a statement that the plan was approved by the shareholders under subdivision (c).
- (v) A statement specifying each assumed name of the domestic corporation to be used by the surviving business organization and authorized under section 217(5).
 - (2) Section 131 applies in determining when a certificate of conversion under this section becomes effective.
 - (3) When a conversion under this section takes effect, all of the following apply:
- (a) The domestic corporation converts into the surviving business organization, and the articles of incorporation of the domestic corporation are canceled. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the surviving business organization is organized under and subject to the organizational laws of the jurisdiction of the surviving business organization as stated in the certificate of conversion.
- (b) The surviving business organization has all of the liabilities of the domestic corporation. The conversion of the domestic corporation into a business organization under this section shall not be considered to affect any obligations or

liabilities of the domestic corporation incurred before the conversion or the personal liability of any person incurred before the conversion, and the conversion shall not be considered to affect the choice of law applicable to the domestic corporation with respect to matters arising before the conversion.

- (c) The title to all real estate and other property and rights owned by the domestic corporation remain vested in the surviving business organization without reversion or impairment. The rights, privileges, powers, and interests in property of the domestic corporation, as well as the debts, liabilities, and duties of the domestic corporation, shall not be considered, as a consequence of the conversion, to have been transferred to the surviving business organization to which the domestic corporation has converted for any purpose of the laws of this state.
- (d) The surviving business organization may use the name and the assumed names of the domestic corporation if the filings required under section 217(5) or any other applicable statute are made and the laws regarding use and form of names are followed.
- (e) A proceeding pending against the domestic corporation may be continued as if the conversion had not occurred, or the surviving business organization may be substituted in the proceeding for the domestic corporation.
- (f) The surviving business organization is considered to be the same entity that existed before the conversion and is considered to be organized on the date that the domestic corporation was originally incorporated.
- (g) The shares of the domestic corporation that were to be converted into ownership interests or obligations of the surviving business organization or into cash or other property are converted.
- (h) Unless otherwise provided in a plan of conversion adopted in accordance with this section, the domestic corporation is not required to wind up its affairs or pay its liabilities and distribute its assets on account of the conversion, and the conversion does not constitute a dissolution of the domestic corporation.
- (4) If the surviving business organization of a conversion under this section is a foreign business organization, it is subject to the laws of this state pertaining to the transaction of business in this state if it transacts business in this state. The surviving business organization is liable, and is subject to service of process in a proceeding in this state, for the enforcement of an obligation of the domestic corporation, and in a proceeding for the enforcement of a right of a dissenting shareholder of the domestic corporation against the surviving business organization.
- (5) As used in this section and section 746, "business organization" and "entity" mean those terms as defined in section 736(1).
- Sec. 746. (1) A business organization may convert into a domestic corporation if all of the following requirements are satisfied:
- (a) The conversion is permitted by the law that governs the internal affairs of the business organization and the business organization complies with that law in converting.
- (b) The business organization proposing to convert into a domestic corporation adopts a plan of conversion that includes all of the following:
- (i) The name of the business organization, the type of business organization that is converting, identification of the statute that governs the internal affairs of the business organization, the name of the surviving domestic corporation into which the business organization is converting, the street address of the surviving domestic corporation, and the principal place of business of the surviving domestic corporation.
- (ii) A description of all of the ownership interests in the business organization, specifying the interests entitled to vote, any rights those interests have to vote collectively or as a class, and if the ownership interests are subject to change before the effective date of the conversion, the manner in which the change may occur.
- (iii) The terms and conditions of the proposed conversion, including the manner and basis of converting the ownership interests of the business organization into shares or obligations of the surviving domestic corporation, into cash, into other consideration that may include ownership interests or obligations of an entity that is not a party to the conversion, or into a combination of cash and other consideration.
 - (iv) The terms and conditions of the articles and bylaws that are to govern the surviving domestic corporation.
- (v) Any other provisions with respect to the proposed conversion that the business organization considers necessary or desirable.
- (c) If a plan of conversion is adopted by the business organization under subdivision (b), the plan of conversion is submitted for approval in the manner required by the law governing the internal affairs of that business organization.
- (d) After the plan of conversion is approved under subdivisions (b) and (c), the business organization files a certificate of conversion with the administrator. The certificate of conversion shall include all of the following:
- (i) All of the information described in subdivision (b)(i) and (ii) and the manner and basis of converting the ownership interests of the business organization contained in the plan of conversion.
 - (ii) A statement that the business organization has adopted the plan of conversion under subdivision (c).

- (iii) A statement that the surviving business corporation will furnish a copy of the plan of conversion, on request and without cost, to any owner of the business organization.
- (iv) A statement specifying each assumed name of the business organization to be used by the surviving domestic corporation and authorized under section 217(6).
- (v) Articles of incorporation for the surviving domestic corporation that meet all of the requirements of this act applicable to articles of incorporation.
 - (2) Section 131 applies in determining when a certificate of conversion under this section becomes effective.
 - (3) When a conversion under this section takes effect, all of the following apply:
- (a) The business organization converts into the surviving domestic corporation. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the surviving domestic corporation is organized under and subject to this act.
- (b) The surviving domestic corporation has all of the liabilities of the business organization. The conversion of the business organization into a domestic corporation under this section shall not be considered to affect any obligations or liabilities of the business organization incurred before the conversion or the personal liability of any person incurred before the conversion, and the conversion shall not be considered to affect the choice of law applicable to the business organization with respect to matters arising before the conversion.
- (c) The title to all real estate and other property and rights owned by the business organization remain vested in the surviving domestic corporation without reversion or impairment. The rights, privileges, powers, and interests in property of the business organization, as well as the debts, liabilities, and duties of the business organization, shall not be considered, as a consequence of the conversion, to have been transferred to the surviving domestic corporation to which the business organization has converted for any purpose of the laws of this state.
- (d) The surviving domestic corporation may use the name and the assumed names of the business organization if the filings required under section 217(6) or any other applicable statute are made and the laws regarding use and form of names are followed.
- (e) A proceeding pending against the business organization may be continued as if the conversion had not occurred, or the surviving domestic corporation may be substituted in the proceeding for the business organization.
- (f) The surviving domestic corporation is considered to be the same entity that existed before the conversion and is considered to be organized on the date that the business organization was originally organized.
- (g) The ownership interests of the business organization that were to be converted into shares or obligations of the surviving domestic corporation or into cash or other property are converted.
- (h) Unless otherwise provided in a plan of conversion adopted in accordance with this section, the business organization is not required to wind up its affairs or pay its liabilities and distribute its assets on account of the conversion, and the conversion does not constitute a dissolution of the business organization.
- Sec. 762. (1) A shareholder is entitled to dissent from, and obtain payment of the fair value of his or her shares in the event of, any of the following corporate actions:
- (a) Consummation of a plan of merger to which the corporation is a party if shareholder approval is required for the merger under section 703a or 736(5) or the articles of incorporation and the shareholder is entitled to vote on the merger, or the corporation is a subsidiary that is merged with its parent under section 711.
- (b) Consummation of a plan of share exchange to which the corporation is a party as the corporation whose shares will be acquired, if the shareholder is entitled to vote on the plan.
- (c) Consummation of a sale or exchange of all, or substantially all, of the property of the corporation other than in the usual and regular course of business, if the shareholder is entitled to vote on the sale or exchange, including a sale in dissolution but not including a sale pursuant to court order.
- (d) Consummation of a plan of conversion to which the corporation is a party as the corporation that is being converted, if the shareholder is entitled to vote on the plan. However, any rights provided under this section are not available if that corporation is converted into a foreign corporation and the shareholder receives shares that have terms as favorable to the shareholder in all material respects, and represent at least the same percentage interest of the total voting rights of the outstanding shares of the corporation, as the shares held by the shareholder before the conversion.
 - (e) An amendment of the articles of incorporation giving rise to a right to dissent under section 621.
 - (f) A transaction giving rise to a right to dissent under section 754.
- (g) Any corporate action taken pursuant to a shareholder vote to the extent the articles of incorporation, bylaws, or a resolution of the board provides that voting or nonvoting shareholders are entitled to dissent and obtain payment for their shares.
- (2) Unless otherwise provided in the articles of incorporation, bylaws, or a resolution of the board, a shareholder may not dissent from any of the following:
- (a) Any corporate action set forth in subsection (1)(a) to (e) as to shares that are listed on a national securities exchange or designated as a national market system security on an interdealer quotation system by the national

association of securities dealers, on the record date fixed to vote on the corporate action or on the date the resolution of the parent corporation's board is adopted in the case of a merger under section 711 that does not require a shareholder vote under section 713.

- (b) A transaction described in subsection (1)(a) in which shareholders receive cash, shares that satisfy the requirements of subdivision (a) on the effective date of the merger, or any combination of cash and those shares.
- (c) A transaction described in subsection (1)(b) in which shareholders receive cash, shares that satisfy the requirements of subdivision (a) on the effective date of the share exchange, or any combination of cash and those shares.
- (d) A transaction described in subsection (1)(c) that is conducted pursuant to a plan of dissolution providing for distribution of substantially all of the corporation's net assets to shareholders in accordance with their respective interests within 1 year after the date of closing of the transaction, if the transaction is for cash, shares that satisfy the requirements of subdivision (a) on the date of closing, or any combination of cash and those shares.
- (e) A transaction described in subsection (1)(d) in which shareholders receive cash, shares that satisfy the requirements of subdivision (a) on the effective date of the conversion, or any combination of cash and those shares.
- (3) A shareholder entitled to dissent and obtain payment for his or her shares under subsection (1)(a) to (f) may not challenge the corporate action creating his or her entitlement unless the action is unlawful or fraudulent with respect to the shareholder or the corporation.
- (4) A shareholder who exercises his or her right to dissent and seek payment for his or her shares under subsection (1)(g) may not challenge the corporate action creating his or her entitlement unless the action is unlawful or fraudulent with respect to the shareholder or the corporation.
- Sec. 806. (1) A certificate of dissolution filed with the administrator is effective at the time the certificate is first received by the administrator, not the date of filing, if all of the following are met:
 - (a) The dissolution is pursuant to an agreement under section 488 or is commenced under section 804.
 - (b) The administrator receives the certificate of dissolution after June 21, 2003 and before June 30, 2003.
- (c) The corporation published notice of dissolution of the corporation under section 842a after June 21, 2003 and before June 30, 2003.
- (d) The certificate does not set forth a subsequent effective time, not later than 90 days after the date the certificate is received by the administrator.
- (2) For purposes of subsection (1), the administrator's date stamp on the certificate of dissolution is evidence of the date the administrator received the certificate. If there are multiple date stamps on the certificate, the earliest date stamp is evidence of the date the administrator first received the certificate.
- Sec. 1002. (1) A foreign corporation that receives a certificate of authority under this act, until a certificate of revocation or of withdrawal is issued under this act, has the same rights and privileges as a domestic corporation organized for the purposes set forth in the application pursuant to which the certificate of authority is issued. Except as otherwise provided in this act, the corporation is subject to the same duties, restrictions, penalties, and liabilities of a similar domestic corporation.
- (2) This act does not authorize this state to regulate the organization or internal affairs of a foreign corporation authorized to transact business in this state.

Sec. 1060. (1) The fees a person shall pay to the administrator when the documents described in this subsection are delivered to him or her for filing are as follows:

- (a) Articles of a domestic corporation, \$10.00.
- (b) Application of a foreign corporation for a certificate of authority to transact business in this state, \$10.00.
- (c) Amendment to the articles of a domestic corporation, \$10.00.
- (d) Amended application for a certificate of authority to transact business in this state, \$10.00.
- (e) Certificate of merger, conversion, or share exchange under chapter 7, \$50.00.
- (f) Certificate attesting to the occurrence of a merger of a foreign corporation under section 1021, \$10.00.
- (g) Certificate of dissolution, \$10.00.
- (h) Application for withdrawal and issuance of a certificate of withdrawal of a foreign corporation, \$10.00.
- (i) Application for reservation of corporate name, \$10.00.
- (j) Certificate of assumed name or a certificate of termination of assumed name, \$10.00.
- (k) Statement of change of registered office or resident agent, \$5.00.
- (l) Restated articles of domestic corporations, \$10.00.
- (m) Certificate of abandonment, \$10.00.

- (n) Certificate of correction, \$10.00.
- (o) Certificate of revocation of dissolution proceedings, \$10.00.
- (p) Certificate of renewal of corporate existence, \$10.00.
- (q) For examining a special report required by law, \$2.00.
- (r) Certificate of registration of corporate name of a foreign corporation, \$50.00.
- (s) Certificate of renewal of registration of corporate name of a foreign corporation, \$50.00.
- (t) Certificate of termination of registration of corporate name of a foreign corporation, \$10.00.
- (u) Report required under section 911, \$15.00 if paid before October 1, 2003 or after September 30, 2012. After September 30, 2003 and before October 1, 2012, the fee is \$25.00.
- (2) The fees described in subsection (1) are in addition to any franchise fees prescribed in this act. The administrator shall not refund all or any part of a fee described in this section.
- (3) Except as provided in subsection (9), the administrator shall deposit all fees received and collected under this section in the state treasury to the credit of the administrator, who may only use the money credited pursuant to legislative appropriation and only in carrying out those duties of the department required by law.
- (4) The fees described in this section apply to documents filed by a domestic or foreign regulated investment company as defined in section 1064.
- (5) If any money received by the administrator from fees paid under subsection (1)(u) is not appropriated to the department in that fiscal year, the money remaining from those fees shall revert to the general fund of this state.
- (6) A minimum charge of \$1.00 for each certificate and 50 cents per folio shall be paid to the administrator for certifying a part of a file or record pertaining to a corporation if a fee for that service is not described in subsection (1). The administrator may furnish copies of documents, reports, and papers required or permitted by law to be filed with the administrator, and shall charge for those copies the fee established in a schedule of fees adopted by the administrator with the approval of the state administrative board. The administrator shall retain the revenue collected under this subsection, and the department shall use it to defray the costs for its copying and certifying services.
- (7) If a domestic or foreign corporation pays fees or penalties by check and the check is dishonored, the fee is unpaid and the administrator shall rescind the filing of all related documents.
- (8) The administrator may accept a credit card in lieu of cash or check as payment of a fee under this act. The administrator shall determine which credit cards he or she shall accept for payment.
- (9) The administrator may charge a nonrefundable fee of up to \$50.00 for any document submitted or certificate sent by facsimile or electronic transmission. The administrator shall retain the revenue collected under this subsection and the department shall use it to carry out its duties required by law.

Enacting section 1. Chapter 7B of the business corporation act, 1972 PA 284, MCL 450.1790 to 450.1799, is repealed.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

Clerk of the House of Representatives

Carol Morey Viventi

Secretary of the Senate

Governor

Approved _____