

HOUSE BILL No. 4898

September 6, 2017, Introduced by Rep. Kosowski and referred to the Committee on Tax Policy.

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled
"Income tax act of 1967,"
by amending section 435 (MCL 206.435), as amended by 2016 PA 184.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 435. (1) Except as otherwise provided under this section,
2 ~~for the 2008 tax year and each tax year after the 2008 tax year,~~ an
3 individual may designate in a manner and form as prescribed by the
4 department pursuant to subsection (2) on his or her annual return
5 that contributions of \$5.00, \$10.00, or more of his or her refund
6 be credited to any of the following:

7 (a) ~~For the 2010 tax year and each tax year after the 2010 tax~~
8 ~~year, the~~ **THE** Michigan higher education assistance authority
9 created in section 1 of 1960 PA 77, MCL 390.951, for the children
10 of veterans tuition grant program created in the children of

1 veterans tuition grant act, 2005 PA 248, MCL 390.1341 to 390.1346.
2 No money from the contributions designated to this subdivision
3 shall be used for the purpose of administering this section.

4 (b) ~~For the 2010 tax year and each tax year after the 2010 tax~~
5 ~~year, the~~ **THE** children's trust fund created in 1982 PA 249, MCL
6 21.171 to 21.172.

7 (c) ~~For the 2010 tax year and each tax year after the 2010 tax~~
8 ~~year, the~~ **THE** military family relief fund created in section 3 of
9 the military family relief fund act, 2004 PA 363, MCL 35.1213.

10 (d) The animal welfare fund created in the animal welfare fund
11 act, 2007 PA 132, MCL 287.991 to 287.997.

12 (e) ~~For the 2009 tax year and each tax year after the 2009 tax~~
13 ~~year, the~~ **THE** United Way fund created in section 3 of the United
14 Way fund act, 2008 PA 527, MCL 333.26533.

15 (f) For the 2012 tax year and each tax year after the 2012 tax
16 year, the Special Olympics Michigan fund created in section 5 of
17 the special Olympics Michigan fund act, 2012 PA 155, MCL 206.945.

18 (g) For the 2013 tax year and each tax year after the 2013 tax
19 year, the ALS of Michigan ("Lou Gehrig's disease") fund created in
20 section 3 of the ALS of Michigan ("Lou Gehrig's disease") fund act,
21 2013 PA 89, MCL 206.933.

22 (h) For the 2013 tax year and each tax year after the 2013 tax
23 year, the Michigan Alzheimer's Association fund created in section
24 5 of the Michigan Alzheimer's association fund act, 2013 PA 88, MCL
25 206.965.

26 (i) For the 2016 tax year and each tax year after the 2016 tax
27 year, the Michigan junior achievement fund created in section 5 of

1 the Michigan junior achievement fund act, **2016 PA 181, MCL**
2 **206.1015.**

3 (j) For the 2016 tax year and each tax year after the 2016 tax
4 year, the American Red Cross Michigan fund created in section 5 of
5 the American Red Cross Michigan fund act, **2016 PA 183, MCL**
6 **206.1035.**

7 **(K) FOR THE 2018 TAX YEAR AND EACH TAX YEAR AFTER THE 2018 TAX**
8 **YEAR, THE STATE FORENSIC LABORATORY FUND CREATED IN SECTION 3 OF**
9 **THE FORENSIC LABORATORY FUNDING ACT, 1994 PA 35, MCL 12.203.**

10 (2) Subject to the limitations provided under this subsection,
11 the department shall establish and utilize a separate contributions
12 schedule that incorporates each contribution designation authorized
13 under this section that remains in effect and available for each
14 tax year and shall revise the state individual income tax return
15 form to include a separate line for the total contribution
16 designations made under the separate contributions schedule. The
17 contribution designations authorized under sections 437, 438, and
18 440 shall be incorporated into the contributions schedule for the
19 2010 tax year and shall remain on the schedule until the
20 contribution designation expires by law or is otherwise no longer
21 available as determined by the department pursuant to subsection
22 (3). A contribution designation that is enacted after November 1,
23 2007 shall be incorporated as soon as practical on the
24 contributions schedule, and each new contribution designation shall
25 be listed on the schedule in alphabetical order. The separate
26 contributions schedule required under this section shall include
27 not more than ~~10~~**11** separate contribution designations in any

1 single tax year.

2 (3) The department shall cease to include a contribution
3 designation on the contributions schedule if that contribution
4 designation fails to raise \$50,000.00 in any tax year for 2
5 consecutive tax years.

6 (4) If an individual's refund is not sufficient to make a
7 contribution under this section, the individual may designate a
8 contribution amount and that contribution amount shall be added to
9 the individual's tax liability for the tax year.

10 (5) Notwithstanding any other allocations or disbursements
11 required by this act, each year that a contribution designation
12 under this section is in effect, an amount equal to the cumulative
13 designation made under this section, less the amount appropriated
14 to the department to implement this section, shall be appropriated
15 from the general fund and distributed to the department responsible
16 for administering the appropriate fund to which the taxpayer
17 designated his or her contribution and shall be used solely for the
18 purposes of that fund.

19 (6) Money appropriated pursuant to an appropriations act as
20 required by law in accordance with this section to the department
21 responsible for administering each respective fund shall be in
22 addition to any other allocation or appropriation and is intended
23 to enhance appropriations from the general fund and not to replace
24 or supplant those appropriations.

25 (7) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, all of the
26 following apply:

27 (a) Money appropriated from the contributions made pursuant to

1 this section shall be distributed as provided in each respective
2 fund within 1 year and none of the money appropriated pursuant to
3 this section shall be used for the purpose of administering the
4 fund.

5 (b) If the fund to which the taxpayer designated his or her
6 contributions is to be used for donations to multiple organizations
7 located in this state, the department responsible for administering
8 that fund shall designate 1 local representative or agency of that
9 organization to administer and distribute those funds to other
10 similar organizations in this state as provided in each respective
11 act that created the fund.

12 (8) When considering whether to grant legislative approval to
13 amend the state individual income tax return to include additional
14 contribution designations on the contributions schedule, the
15 legislature shall consider all of the following:

16 (a) Whether the organization serves multiple regions
17 throughout this state.

18 (b) Whether the organization has demonstrated that it is
19 capable of raising more than \$50,000.00 in this state during the
20 tax year through means other than the income tax contribution
21 designation.

22 (c) Whether the organization expends 30% or more of its money
23 to cover administrative and fund-raising costs.

24 (d) Whether the organization had previously been included on
25 the contributions schedule within the last immediately preceding 3
26 years and was removed because it failed to raise a sufficient
27 amount of money as prescribed under subsection (3).

1 (e) Whether the organization receives any other state funds or
2 other type of financial assistance from this state.

3 (f) Whether the organization is associated with a nonprofit
4 charitable organization.

5 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
6 unless Senate Bill No. _____ or House Bill No. 4898 (request no.
7 03823'17 a) of the 99th Legislature is enacted into law.