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HOUSE BILL No. 5048

September 28, 2017, Introduced by Reps. LaFave, Noble, Marino, Glenn, Runestad, Kelly, Allor, Wentworth, Hoitenga, Johnson, Miller, McCready, Tedder, Barrett, Frederick, Webber and Reilly and referred to the Committee on Michigan Competitiveness.

A bill to amend 1969 PA 306, entitled "Administrative procedures act of 1969," by amending section 32 (MCL 24.232), as amended by 2011 PA 270.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Sec. 32. (1) Definitions of words and phrases and rules of construction prescribed in any statute that are made applicable to 3 all statutes of this state also apply to rules unless clearly indicated to the contrary.
 - (2) A rule or exception to a rule shall MUST not discriminate in favor of or against any person. A person affected by a rule is entitled to the same benefits as any other person under the same or similar circumstances.
 - (3) The violation of a rule is a crime when so provided by statute. A rule shall MUST not make an act or omission to act a

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- 1 crime or prescribe a criminal penalty for violation of a rule.
- 2 (4) An agency may adopt, by reference in its rules and without
- 3 publishing the adopted matter in full, all or any part of a code,
- 4 standard, or regulation that has been adopted by an agency of the
- 5 United States or by a nationally recognized organization or
- 6 association. The reference shall MUST fully identify the adopted
- 7 matter by date and otherwise. The reference shall MUST not cover
- 8 any later amendments and editions of the adopted matter, but if the
- 9 agency wishes to incorporate them in its rule it shall amend the
- 10 rule or promulgate a new rule therefor. TO DO SO. The agency shall
- 11 have available copies of the adopted matter for inspection and
- 12 distribution to the public at cost and the rules shall MUST state
- 13 where copies of the adopted matter are available from the agency
- 14 and the agency of the United States or the national organization or
- 15 association and the cost of a copy $\frac{1}{2}$ as $\frac{1}{2}$ the time the rule is
- 16 adopted.
- 17 (5) A guideline, operational memorandum, bulletin,
- 18 interpretive statement, or form with instructions is not
- 19 enforceable by an agency, is considered merely advisory, and shall
- 20 MUST not be given the force and effect of law. An agency shall not
- 21 rely upon—ON a guideline, operational memorandum, bulletin,
- 22 interpretive statement, or form with instructions to support the
- 23 agency's decision to act or refuse to act if that decision is
- 24 subject to judicial review. A court shall not rely upon ON a
- 25 guideline, operational memorandum, bulletin, interpretive
- 26 statement, or form with instructions to uphold an agency decision

27 to act or refuse to act.

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- $\mathbf{1}$ (6) Where \mathbf{IF} a statute provides that an agency may proceed by
- 2 rule-making or by order and an agency proceeds by order in lieu
- 3 INSTEAD of rule-making, the order shall MUST not be given general
- 4 applicability to persons who were not parties to the proceeding or
- 5 contested case before the issuance of the order, unless the order
- 6 was issued after public notice and a public hearing.
- 7 (7) AN AGENCY SHALL NOT PROCEED WITH RULE-MAKING UNLESS THE
- 8 AUTHORITY FOR THE RULE-MAKING IS EXPLICITLY AND UNEQUIVOCALLY
- 9 GRANTED IN STATUTE.
- 10 (8) (7) A rule shall MUST not exceed the rule-making
- 11 delegation contained in the statute authorizing the rule-making.

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