HOUSE BILL No. 6582

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A bill to amend 1976 PA 442, entitled

"Freedom of information act,"

by amending sections 3, 4, and 13 (MCL 15.233, 15.234, and 15.243), section 3 as amended by 1996 PA 553, section 4 as amended by 2014 PA 563, and section 13 as amended by 2018 PA 68.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 3. (1) Except as expressly provided in section 13, upon
- 2 providing a public body's FOIA coordinator with a written request
- 3 that describes a public record sufficiently to enable the public
 - body to find the public record, a person has a right to inspect,
- 5 copy, or receive copies of the requested public record of the
- 6 public body. A REQUEST FROM A PERSON, OTHER THAN AN INDIVIDUAL WHO
- 7 QUALIFIES AS INDIGENT UNDER SECTION 4(2)(A), MUST INCLUDE THE
- 8 REQUESTING PERSON'S COMPLETE NAME, ADDRESS, AND CONTACT

- 1 INFORMATION, AND, IF THE REQUEST IS MADE BY A PERSON OTHER THAN AN
- 2 INDIVIDUAL, THE COMPLETE NAME, ADDRESS, AND CONTACT INFORMATION OF
- 3 THE PERSON'S AGENT WHO IS AN INDIVIDUAL. AN ADDRESS MUST BE WRITTEN
- 4 IN COMPLIANCE WITH UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE ADDRESSING
- 5 STANDARDS. CONTACT INFORMATION MUST INCLUDE A VALID TELEPHONE
- 6 NUMBER OR ELECTRONIC MAIL ADDRESS, OR BOTH. A person has a right to
- 7 subscribe to future issuances of public records that are created,
- 8 issued, or disseminated on a regular basis. A subscription shall be
- 9 IS valid for up to 6 months, at the request of the subscriber, and
- 10 shall be IS renewable. An employee of a public body who receives a
- 11 request for a public record shall promptly forward that request to
- 12 the freedom of information act coordinator.
- 13 (2) A freedom of information act coordinator shall keep a copy
- 14 of all written requests for public records on file for no less than
- **15** 1 year.
- 16 (3) A public body shall furnish a requesting person a
- 17 reasonable opportunity for inspection and examination of its public
- 18 records, and shall furnish reasonable facilities for making
- 19 memoranda or abstracts from its public records during the usual
- 20 business hours. A public body may make reasonable rules necessary
- 21 to protect its public records and to prevent excessive and
- 22 unreasonable interference with the discharge of its functions. A
- 23 public body shall protect public records from loss, unauthorized
- 24 alteration, mutilation, or destruction.
- 25 (4) This act does not require a public body to make a
- 26 compilation, summary, or report of information, except as required
- **27** in section 11.

- 1 (5) This act does not require a public body to create a new
- 2 public record, except as required in section 11, and to the extent
- 3 required by this act for the furnishing of copies, or edited copies
- 4 pursuant to section 14(1), of an already existing public record.
- **5** (6) The custodian of a public record shall, upon written
- 6 request, furnish a requesting person a certified copy of a public
- 7 record.
- 8 Sec. 4. (1) A public body may charge a fee for a public record
- 9 search, for the necessary copying of a public record for
- 10 inspection, or for providing a copy of a public record if it has
- 11 established, makes publicly available, and follows procedures and
- 12 quidelines to implement this section as described in subsection
- 13 (4). Subject to subsections (2), (3), (4), (5), and (9), the fee
- 14 shall MUST be limited to actual mailing costs, and to the actual
- 15 incremental cost of duplication or publication including labor, the
- 16 cost of search, examination, review, and the deletion and
- 17 separation of exempt from nonexempt information as provided in
- 18 section 14. Except as otherwise provided in this act, if the public
- 19 body estimates or charges a fee in accordance with this act, the
- 20 total fee shall MUST not exceed the sum of the following
- 21 components:
- 22 (a) That portion of labor costs directly associated with the
- 23 necessary searching for, locating, and examining of public records
- 24 in conjunction with receiving and fulfilling a granted written
- 25 request. The public body shall not charge more than the hourly wage
- 26 of its lowest-paid employee capable of searching for, locating, and
- 27 examining the public records in the particular instance regardless

- 1 of whether that person is available or who actually performs the
- 2 labor. Labor costs under this subdivision shall be estimated and
- 3 charged in increments of 15 minutes or more, with all partial time
- 4 increments rounded down.
- 5 (b) That portion of labor costs, including necessary review,
- 6 if any, directly associated with the separating and deleting of
- 7 exempt information from nonexempt information as provided in
- 8 section 14. For services performed by an employee of the public
- 9 body, the public body shall not charge more than the hourly wage of
- 10 its lowest-paid employee capable of separating and deleting exempt
- 11 information from nonexempt information in the particular instance
- 12 as provided in section 14, regardless of whether that person is
- 13 available or who actually performs the labor. If a public body does
- 14 not employ a person capable of separating and deleting exempt
- 15 information from nonexempt information in the particular instance
- 16 as provided in section 14 as determined by the public body's FOIA
- 17 coordinator on a case-by-case basis, it may treat necessary
- 18 contracted labor costs used for the separating and deleting of
- 19 exempt information from nonexempt information in the same manner as
- 20 employee labor costs when calculating charges under this
- 21 subdivision if it clearly notes the name of the contracted person
- 22 or firm on the detailed itemization described under subsection (4).
- 23 Total labor costs calculated under this subdivision for contracted
- 24 labor costs shall MUST not exceed an amount equal to 6 times the
- 25 state minimum hourly wage rate determined under section 4 of the
- 26 workforce opportunity wage act, 2014 PA 138, MCL 408.411 to
- 27 408.424. IMPROVED WORKFORCE OPPORTUNITY WAGE ACT, 2018 PA 337, MCL

- 1 408.934. Labor costs under this subdivision shall be estimated and
- 2 charged in increments of 15 minutes or more, with all partial time
- 3 increments rounded down. A public body shall not charge for labor
- 4 directly associated with redaction under section 14 if it knows or
- 5 has reason to know that it previously redacted the public record in
- 6 question and the redacted version is still in the public body's
- 7 possession.
- 8 (c) For public records provided to the requestor on nonpaper
- 9 physical media, the actual and most reasonably economical cost of
- 10 the computer discs, computer tapes, or other digital or similar
- 11 media. The requestor may stipulate that the public records be
- 12 provided on nonpaper physical media, electronically mailed, or
- 13 otherwise electronically provided to him or her in lieu of paper
- 14 copies. This subdivision does not apply if a public body lacks the
- 15 technological capability necessary to provide records on the
- 16 particular nonpaper physical media stipulated in the particular
- instance.
- (d) For paper copies of public records provided to the
- 19 requestor, the actual total incremental cost of necessary
- 20 duplication or publication, not including labor. The cost of paper
- 21 copies shall be calculated as a total cost per sheet of paper and
- 22 shall be itemized and noted in a manner that expresses both the
- 23 cost per sheet and the number of sheets provided. The fee shall
- 24 MUST not exceed 10 cents per sheet of paper for copies of public
- 25 records made on 8-1/2- by 11-inch paper or 8-1/2- by 14-inch paper.
- 26 A public body shall utilize the most economical means available for
- 27 making copies of public records, including using double-sided

- 1 printing, if cost saving and available.
- 2 (e) The cost of labor directly associated with duplication or
- 3 publication, including making paper copies, making digital copies,
- 4 or transferring digital public records to be given to the requestor
- 5 on nonpaper physical media or through the internet or other
- 6 electronic means as stipulated by the requestor. The public body
- 7 shall not charge more than the hourly wage of its lowest-paid
- 8 employee capable of necessary duplication or publication in the
- 9 particular instance, regardless of whether that person is available
- 10 or who actually performs the labor. Labor costs under this
- 11 subdivision may be estimated and charged in time increments of the
- 12 public body's choosing; however, all partial time increments shall
- 13 be rounded down.
- 14 (f) The actual cost of mailing, if any, for sending the public
- 15 records in a reasonably economical and justifiable manner. The
- 16 public body shall not charge more for expedited shipping or
- 17 insurance unless specifically stipulated by the requestor, but may
- 18 otherwise charge for the least expensive form of postal delivery
- 19 confirmation when mailing public records.
- 20 (2) When calculating labor costs under subsection (1)(a), (b),
- 21 or (e), fee components shall be itemized in a manner that expresses
- 22 both the hourly wage and the number of hours charged. The public
- 23 body may also add up to 50% to the applicable labor charge amount
- 24 to cover or partially cover the cost of fringe benefits if it
- 25 clearly notes the percentage multiplier used to account for
- 26 benefits in the detailed itemization described in subsection (4).
- 27 Subject to the 50% limitation, the public body shall not charge

- 1 more than the actual cost of fringe benefits, and overtime wages
- 2 shall not be used in calculating the cost of fringe benefits.
- 3 Overtime wages shall not be included in the calculation of labor
- 4 costs unless overtime is specifically stipulated by the requestor
- 5 and clearly noted on the detailed itemization described in
- 6 subsection (4). A search for a public record may be conducted or
- 7 copies of public records may be furnished without charge or at a
- 8 reduced charge if the public body determines that a waiver or
- 9 reduction of the fee is in the public interest because searching
- 10 for or furnishing copies of the public record can be considered as
- 11 primarily benefiting the general public. A public record search
- 12 shall be made and a copy of a public record shall be furnished
- 13 without charge for the first \$20.00 of the fee for each request by
- 14 either of the following:
- 15 (a) An individual who is entitled to information under this
- 16 act and who submits an affidavit stating that the individual is
- 17 indigent and receiving specific public assistance or, if not
- 18 receiving public assistance, stating facts showing inability to pay
- 19 the cost because of indigency. If the requestor is eligible for a
- 20 requested discount, the public body shall fully note the discount
- 21 on the detailed itemization described under subsection (4). If a
- 22 requestor is ineligible for the discount, the public body shall
- 23 inform the requestor specifically of the reason for ineligibility
- 24 in the public body's written response. An individual is ineligible
- 25 for this fee reduction if any of the following apply:
- 26 (i) The individual has previously received discounted copies
- 27 of public records under this subsection from the same public body

- 1 twice during that calendar year.
- (ii) The individual requests the information in conjunction
- 3 with outside parties who are offering or providing payment or other
- 4 remuneration to the individual to make the request. A public body
- 5 may require a statement by the requestor in the affidavit that the
- 6 request is not being made in conjunction with outside parties in
- 7 exchange for payment or other remuneration.
- 8 (b) A nonprofit organization formally designated by the state
- 9 to carry out activities under subtitle C of the developmental
- 10 disabilities assistance and bill of rights act of 2000, Public Law
- 11 106-402, and the protection and advocacy for individuals with
- 12 mental illness act, Public Law 99-319, or their successors, if the
- 13 request meets all of the following requirements:
- 14 (i) Is made directly on behalf of the organization or its
- 15 clients.
- (ii) Is made for a reason wholly consistent with the mission
- 17 and provisions of those laws under section 931 of the mental health
- 18 code, 1974 PA 258, MCL 330.1931.
- 19 (iii) Is accompanied by documentation of its designation by
- 20 the state, if requested by the public body.
- 21 (3) A fee as described in subsection (1) shall not be charged
- 22 for the cost of search, examination, review, and the deletion and
- 23 separation of exempt from nonexempt information as provided in
- 24 section 14 unless failure to charge a fee would result in
- 25 unreasonably high costs to the public body because of the nature of
- 26 the request in the particular instance, and the public body
- 27 specifically identifies the nature of these unreasonably high

1 costs.

2 (4) A public body shall establish procedures and guidelines to implement this act and shall create a written public summary of the 3 4 specific procedures and guidelines relevant to the general public 5 regarding how to submit written requests to the public body and explaining how to understand a public body's written responses, 6 deposit requirements, fee calculations, and avenues for challenge 7 and appeal. The written public summary shall be written in a manner 8 so as to be easily understood by the general public. If the public 9 body directly or indirectly administers or maintains an official 10 11 internet presence, it shall post and maintain the procedures and 12 guidelines and its written public summary on its website. A public body shall make the procedures and guidelines publicly available by 13 14 providing free copies of the procedures and guidelines and its written public summary both in the public body's response to a 15 written request and upon request by visitors at the public body's 16 17 office. A public body that posts and maintains procedures and quidelines and its written public summary on its website may 18 19 include the website link to the documents in lieu of providing 20 paper copies in its response to a written request. A public body's 21 procedures and guidelines shall MUST include the use of a standard 22 form for detailed itemization of any fee amount in its responses to 23 written requests under this act. The detailed itemization shall 24 MUST clearly list and explain the allowable charges for each of the 25 6 fee components listed under subsection (1) that compose the total fee used for estimating or charging purposes. Other public bodies 26 27 may use a form created by the department of technology, management,

1 and budget or create a form of their own that complies with this 2 subsection. A public body that has not established procedures and quidelines, has not created a written public summary, or has not 3 4 made those items publicly available without charge as required in 5 this subsection is not relieved of its duty to comply with any requirement of this act and shall not require deposits or charge 6 7 fees otherwise permitted under this act until it is in compliance with this subsection. Notwithstanding this subsection and despite 8 9 any law to the contrary, a public body's procedures and guidelines 10 under this act are not exempt public records under section 13. 11 (5) If the public body directly or indirectly administers or maintains an official internet presence, any public records 12 available to the general public on that internet site at the time 13 14 the request is made are exempt from any charges under subsection (1) (b). If the FOIA coordinator knows or has reason to know that 15 all or a portion of the requested information is available on its 16 17 website, the public body shall notify the requestor in its written 18 response that all or a portion of the requested information is 19 available on its website. The written response, to the degree 20 practicable in the specific instance, shall MUST include a specific 21 webpage address where the requested information is available. On 22 the detailed itemization described in subsection (4), the public 23 body shall separate the requested public records that are available 24 on its website from those that are not available on the website and 25 shall inform the requestor of the additional charge to receive copies of the public records that are available on its website. If 26 27 the public body has included the website address for a record in

- 1 its written response to the requestor and the requestor thereafter
- 2 stipulates that the public record be provided to him or her in a
- 3 paper format or other form as described under subsection (1)(c),
- 4 the public body shall provide the public records in the specified
- 5 format but may use a fringe benefit multiplier greater than the 50%
- 6 limitation in subsection (2), not to exceed the actual costs of
- 7 providing the information in the specified format.
- **8** (6) A public body may provide requested information available
- 9 in public records without receipt of a written request.
- 10 (7) If a verbal request for information is for information
- 11 that a public body believes is available on the public body's
- 12 website, the public employee shall, where practicable and to the
- 13 best of the public employee's knowledge, inform the requestor about
- 14 the public body's pertinent website address.
- 15 (8) In either the public body's initial response or subsequent
- 16 response as described under section 5(2)(d), the public body may
- 17 require a good-faith deposit from the person requesting information
- 18 before providing the public records to the requestor if the entire
- 19 fee estimate or charge authorized under this section exceeds
- 20 \$50.00, based on a good-faith calculation of the total fee
- 21 described in subsection (4). Subject to subsection (10), the
- 22 deposit shall MUST not exceed 1/2 of the total estimated fee, and a
- 23 public body's request for a deposit shall MUST include a detailed
- 24 itemization as required under subsection (4). The response shall
- 25 MUST also contain a best efforts estimate by the public body
- 26 regarding the time frame it will take the public body to comply
- 27 with the law in providing the public records to the requestor. The

- 1 time frame estimate is nonbinding upon the public body, but the
- 2 public body shall provide the estimate in good faith and strive to
- 3 be reasonably accurate and to provide the public records in a
- 4 manner based on this state's public policy under section 1 and the
- 5 nature of the request in the particular instance. If a public body
- 6 does not respond in a timely manner as described under section
- 7 5(2), it is not relieved from its requirements to provide proper
- 8 fee calculations and time frame estimates in any tardy responses.
- 9 Providing an estimated time frame does not relieve a public body
- 10 from any of the other requirements of this act.
- 11 (9) If a public body does not respond to a written request in
- 12 a timely manner as required under section 5(2), the public body
- 13 shall do the following:
- 14 (a) Reduce the charges for labor costs otherwise permitted
- under this section by 5% for each day the public body exceeds the
- 16 time permitted under section 5(2) for a response to the request,
- 17 with a maximum 50% reduction, if either of the following applies:
- 18 (i) The late response was willful and intentional.
- 19 (ii) The written request included language that conveyed a
- 20 request for information within the first 250 words of the body of a
- 21 letter, facsimile, electronic mail, or electronic mail attachment,
- 22 or specifically included the words, characters, or abbreviations
- 23 for "freedom of information", "information", "FOIA", "copy", or a
- 24 recognizable misspelling of such, or appropriate legal code
- 25 reference for this act, on the front of an envelope, or in the
- 26 subject line of an electronic mail, letter, or facsimile cover

27 page.

- 1 (b) If a charge reduction is required under subdivision (a),
- 2 fully note the charge reduction on the detailed itemization
- 3 described under subsection (4).
- 4 (10) This section does not apply to public records prepared
- 5 under an act or statute specifically authorizing the sale of those
- 6 public records to the public, or if the amount of the fee for
- 7 providing a copy of the public record is otherwise specifically
- 8 provided by an act or statute.
- 9 (11) Subject to subsection (12), after a public body has
- 10 granted and fulfilled a written request from an individual under
- 11 this act, if the public body has not been paid in full the total
- 12 amount under subsection (1) for the copies of public records that
- 13 the public body made available to the individual as a result of
- 14 that written request, the public body may require a deposit of up
- 15 to 100% of the estimated fee before it begins a full public record
- 16 search for any subsequent written request from that individual if
- 17 all of the following apply:
- 18 (a) The final fee for the prior written request was not more
- 19 than 105% of the estimated fee.
- 20 (b) The public records made available contained the
- 21 information being sought in the prior written request and are still
- 22 in the public body's possession.
- 23 (c) The public records were made available to the individual,
- 24 subject to payment, within the time frame estimate described under
- 25 subsection $\frac{(7)}{(8)}$.
- (d) Ninety days have passed since the public body notified the
- 27 individual in writing that the public records were available for

- 1 pickup or mailing.
- 2 (e) The individual is unable to show proof of prior payment to
- 3 the public body.
- 4 (f) The public body calculates a detailed itemization, as
- 5 required under subsection (4), that is the basis for the current
- 6 written request's increased estimated fee deposit.
- 7 (12) A public body shall no longer require an increased
- 8 estimated fee deposit from an individual as described under
- 9 subsection (11) if any of the following apply:
- 10 (a) The individual is able to show proof of prior payment in
- 11 full to the public body.
- 12 (b) The public body is subsequently paid in full for the
- 13 applicable prior written request.
- 14 (c) Three hundred sixty-five days have passed since the
- 15 individual made the written request for which full payment was not
- 16 remitted to the public body.
- 17 (13) A deposit required by a public body under this act is a
- **18** fee.
- 19 (14) IF A DEPOSIT THAT IS REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (8) OR
- 20 (11) IS NOT RECEIVED BY THE PUBLIC BODY WITHIN 45 DAYS FROM RECEIPT
- 21 BY THE REQUESTING PERSON OF THE NOTICE THAT A DEPOSIT IS REQUIRED,
- 22 AND IF THE REQUESTING PERSON HAS NOT FILED AN APPEAL OF THE DEPOSIT
- 23 AMOUNT PURSUANT TO SECTION 10A, THE REQUEST SHALL BE CONSIDERED
- 24 ABANDONED BY THE REQUESTING PERSON AND THE PUBLIC BODY IS NO LONGER
- 25 REQUIRED TO FULFILL THE REQUEST. NOTICE OF A DEPOSIT REQUIREMENT
- 26 UNDER SUBSECTION (8) OR (11) IS CONSIDERED RECEIVED 3 DAYS AFTER IT
- 27 IS SENT, REGARDLESS OF THE MEANS OF TRANSMISSION. NOTICE OF A

- 1 DEPOSIT REQUIREMENT UNDER SUBSECTION (8) OR (11) MUST INCLUDE
- 2 NOTICE OF THE DATE BY WHICH THE DEPOSIT MUST BE RECEIVED, WHICH
- 3 DATE IS 48 DAYS AFTER THE DATE THE NOTICE IS SENT.
- 4 Sec. 13. (1) A public body may exempt from disclosure as a
- 5 public record under this act any of the following:
- 6 (a) Information of a personal nature if public disclosure of
- 7 the information would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of
- 8 an individual's privacy.
- 9 (b) Investigating records compiled for law enforcement
- 10 purposes, but only to the extent that disclosure as a public record
- 11 would do any of the following:
- 12 (i) Interfere with law enforcement proceedings.
- (ii) Deprive a person of the right to a fair trial or
- 14 impartial administrative adjudication.
- 15 (iii) Constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.
- 16 (iv) Disclose the identity of a confidential source, or if the
- 17 record is compiled by a law enforcement agency in the course of a
- 18 criminal investigation, disclose confidential information furnished
- 19 only by a confidential source.
- 20 (v) Disclose law enforcement investigative techniques or
- 21 procedures.
- (vi) Endanger the life or physical safety of law enforcement
- 23 personnel.
- 24 (c) A public record that if disclosed would prejudice a public
- 25 body's ability to maintain the physical security of custodial or
- 26 penal institutions occupied by persons arrested or convicted of a
- 27 crime or admitted because of a mental disability, unless the public

- 1 interest in disclosure under this act outweighs the public interest
- 2 in nondisclosure.
- 3 (d) Records or information specifically described and exempted
- 4 from disclosure by statute.
- 5 (e) A public record or information described in this section
- 6 that is furnished by the public body originally compiling,
- 7 preparing, or receiving the record or information to a public
- 8 officer or public body in connection with the performance of the
- 9 duties of that public officer or public body, if the considerations
- 10 originally giving rise to the exempt nature of the public record
- 11 remain applicable.
- 12 (f) Trade secrets or commercial or financial information
- 13 voluntarily provided to an agency for use in developing
- 14 governmental policy if:
- 15 (i) The information is submitted upon a promise of
- 16 confidentiality by the public body.
- 17 (ii) The promise of confidentiality is authorized by the chief
- 18 administrative officer of the public body or by an elected official
- 19 at the time the promise is made.
- 20 (iii) A description of the information is recorded by the
- 21 public body within a reasonable time after it has been submitted,
- 22 maintained in a central place within the public body, and made
- 23 available to a person upon request. This subdivision does not apply
- 24 to information submitted as required by law or as a condition of
- 25 receiving a governmental contract, license, or other benefit.
- **26** (g) Information or records subject to the attorney-client
- 27 privilege.

- 1 (h) Information or records subject to the physician-patient
- 2 privilege, the psychologist-patient privilege, the minister,
- 3 priest, or Christian Science practitioner privilege, or other
- 4 privilege recognized by statute or court rule.
- 5 (i) A bid or proposal by a person to enter into a contract or
- 6 agreement, until the time for the public opening of bids or
- 7 proposals, or if a public opening is not to be conducted, until the
- 8 deadline for submission of bids or proposals has expired.
- 9 (j) Appraisals of real property to be acquired by the public
- 10 body until either of the following occurs:
- 11 (i) An agreement is entered into.
- 12 (ii) Three years have elapsed since the making of the
- 13 appraisal, unless litigation relative to the acquisition has not
- 14 yet terminated.
- 15 (k) Test questions and answers, scoring keys, and other
- 16 examination instruments or data used to administer a license,
- 17 public employment, or academic examination, unless the public
- 18 interest in disclosure under this act outweighs the public interest
- 19 in nondisclosure.
- **20** (*l*) Medical, counseling, or psychological facts or evaluations
- 21 concerning an individual if the individual's identity would be
- 22 revealed by a disclosure of those facts or evaluation, including
- 23 protected health information, as defined in 45 CFR 160.103.
- 24 (m) Communications and notes within a public body or between
- 25 public bodies of an advisory nature to the extent that they cover
- 26 other than purely factual materials and are preliminary to a final
- 27 agency determination of policy or action. This exemption does not

- 1 apply unless the public body shows that in the particular instance
- 2 the public interest in encouraging frank communication between
- 3 officials and employees of public bodies clearly outweighs the
- 4 public interest in disclosure. This exemption does not constitute
- 5 an exemption under state law for purposes of section 8(h) of the
- 6 open meetings act, 1976 PA 267, MCL 15.268. As used in this
- 7 subdivision, "determination of policy or action" includes a
- 8 determination relating to collective bargaining, unless the public
- 9 record is otherwise required to be made available under 1947 PA
- **10** 336, MCL 423.201 to 423.217.
- 11 (n) Records of law enforcement communication codes, or plans
- 12 for deployment of law enforcement personnel, that if disclosed
- would prejudice a public body's ability to protect the public
- 14 safety unless the public interest in disclosure under this act
- 15 outweighs the public interest in nondisclosure in the particular
- 16 instance.
- 17 (o) Information that would reveal the exact location of
- 18 archaeological sites. The department of natural resources may
- 19 promulgate rules in accordance with the administrative procedures
- 20 act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328, to provide for the
- 21 disclosure of the location of archaeological sites for purposes
- 22 relating to the preservation or scientific examination of sites.
- 23 (p) Testing data developed by a public body in determining
- 24 whether bidders' products meet the specifications for purchase of
- 25 those products by the public body, if disclosure of the data would
- 26 reveal that only 1 bidder has met the specifications. This
- 27 subdivision does not apply after 1 year has elapsed from the time

- 1 the public body completes the testing.
- 2 (q) Academic transcripts of an institution of higher education
- 3 established under section 5, 6, or 7 of article VIII of the state
- 4 constitution of 1963, if the transcript pertains to a student who
- 5 is delinquent in the payment of financial obligations to the
- 6 institution.
- 7 (r) Records of a campaign committee including a committee that
- 8 receives money from a state campaign fund.
- 9 (s) Unless the public interest in disclosure outweighs the
- 10 public interest in nondisclosure in the particular instance, public
- 11 records of a law enforcement agency, the release of which would do
- 12 any of the following:
- 13 (i) Identify or provide a means of identifying an informant.
- 14 (ii) Identify or provide a means of identifying a law
- 15 enforcement undercover officer or agent or a plain clothes officer
- 16 as a law enforcement officer or agent.
- 17 (iii) Disclose the personal address or telephone number of
- 18 active or retired law enforcement officers or agents or a special
- 19 skill that they may have.
- (iv) Disclose the name, address, or telephone numbers of
- 21 family members, relatives, children, or parents of active or
- 22 retired law enforcement officers or agents.
- (v) Disclose operational instructions for law enforcement
- 24 officers or agents.
- (vi) Reveal the contents of staff manuals provided for law
- 26 enforcement officers or agents.
- (vii) Endanger the life or safety of law enforcement officers

- 1 or agents or their families, relatives, children, parents, or those
- 2 who furnish information to law enforcement departments or agencies.
- 3 (viii) Identify or provide a means of identifying a person as
- 4 a law enforcement officer, agent, or informant.
- $\mathbf{5}$ (ix) Disclose personnel records of law enforcement agencies.
- 6 (x) Identify or provide a means of identifying residences that
- 7 law enforcement agencies are requested to check in the absence of
- 8 their owners or tenants.
- 9 (t) Except as otherwise provided in this subdivision, records
- 10 and information pertaining to an investigation or a compliance
- 11 conference conducted by the department under article 15 of the
- 12 public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.16101 to 333.18838, before
- 13 a complaint is issued. This subdivision does not apply to records
- 14 or information pertaining to 1 or more of the following:
- 15 (i) The fact that an allegation has been received and an
- 16 investigation is being conducted, and the date the allegation was
- 17 received.
- 18 (ii) The fact that an allegation was received by the
- 19 department; the fact that the department did not issue a complaint
- 20 for the allegation; and the fact that the allegation was dismissed.
- 21 (u) Records of a public body's security measures, including
- 22 security plans, security codes and combinations, passwords, passes,
- 23 keys, and security procedures, to the extent that the records
- 24 relate to the ongoing security of the public body.
- (v) Records or information relating to a civil action in which
- 26 the requesting party and the public body are parties.
- 27 (w) Information or records that would disclose the social

- 1 security SOCIAL SECURITY number of an individual.
- 2 (x) Except as otherwise provided in this subdivision, an
- 3 application for the position of president of an institution of
- 4 higher education established under section 4, 5, or 6 of article
- 5 VIII of the state constitution of 1963, materials submitted with
- 6 such an application, letters of recommendation or references
- 7 concerning an applicant, and records or information relating to the
- 8 process of searching for and selecting an individual for a position
- 9 described in this subdivision, if the records or information could
- 10 be used to identify a candidate for the position. However, after 1
- 11 or more individuals have been identified as finalists for a
- 12 position described in this subdivision, this subdivision does not
- 13 apply to a public record described in this subdivision, except a
- 14 letter of recommendation or reference, to the extent that the
- 15 public record relates to an individual identified as a finalist for
- 16 the position.
- 17 (y) Records or information of measures designed to protect the
- 18 security or safety of persons or property, or the confidentiality,
- 19 integrity, or availability of information systems, whether public
- 20 or private, including, but not limited to, building, public works,
- 21 and public water supply designs to the extent that those designs
- 22 relate to the ongoing security measures of a public body,
- 23 capabilities and plans for responding to a violation of the
- 24 Michigan anti-terrorism act, chapter LXXXIII-A of the Michigan
- 25 penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.543a to 750.543z, emergency
- 26 response plans, risk planning documents, threat assessments,
- 27 domestic preparedness strategies, and cybersecurity plans,

- 1 assessments, or vulnerabilities, unless disclosure would not impair
- 2 a public body's ability to protect the security or safety of
- 3 persons or property or unless the public interest in disclosure
- 4 outweighs the public interest in nondisclosure in the particular
- 5 instance.
- **6** (z) Information that would identify or provide a means of
- 7 identifying a person that may, as a result of disclosure of the
- 8 information, become a victim of a cybersecurity incident or that
- 9 would disclose a person's cybersecurity plans or cybersecurity-
- 10 related practices, procedures, methods, results, organizational
- 11 information system infrastructure, hardware, or software.
- 12 (aa) Research data on road and attendant infrastructure
- 13 collected, measured, recorded, processed, or disseminated by a
- 14 public agency or private entity, or information about software or
- 15 hardware created or used by the private entity for such purposes.

16 (BB) A PERSON'S MANUAL OR ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE.

- 17 (2) A public body shall exempt from disclosure information
- 18 that, if released, would prevent the public body from complying
- 19 with 20 USC 1232q, commonly referred to as the family educational
- 20 rights and privacy act of 1974. A public body that is a local or
- 21 intermediate school district or a public school academy shall
- 22 exempt from disclosure directory information, as defined by 20 USC
- 23 1232q, commonly referred to as the family educational rights and
- 24 privacy act of 1974, requested for the purpose of surveys,
- 25 marketing, or solicitation, unless that public body determines that
- 26 the use is consistent with the educational mission of the public
- 27 body and beneficial to the affected students. A public body that is

- 1 a local or intermediate school district or a public school academy
- 2 may take steps to ensure that directory information disclosed under
- 3 this subsection shall—IS not be—used, rented, or sold for the
- 4 purpose of surveys, marketing, or solicitation. Before disclosing
- 5 the directory information, a public body that is a local or
- 6 intermediate school district or a public school academy may require
- 7 the requester to execute an affidavit stating that directory
- 8 information provided under this subsection shall WILL not be used,
- 9 rented, or sold for the purpose of surveys, marketing, or
- 10 solicitation.
- 11 (3) This act does not authorize the withholding of information
- 12 otherwise required by law to be made available to the public or to
- 13 a party in a contested case under the administrative procedures act
- 14 of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328.
- 15 (4) Except as otherwise exempt under subsection (1), this act
- 16 does not authorize the withholding of a public record in the
- 17 possession of the executive office of the governor or lieutenant
- 18 governor, or an employee of either executive office, if the public
- 19 record is transferred to the executive office of the governor or
- 20 lieutenant governor, or an employee of either executive office,
- 21 after a request for the public record has been received by a state
- 22 officer, employee, agency, department, division, bureau, board,
- 23 commission, council, authority, or other body in the executive
- 24 branch of government that is subject to this act.

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