

# Legislative Analysis



## THIRD-PARTY ONLINE SERVICES

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**House Bill 6173 as introduced**  
**Sponsor: Rep. Sarah L. Lightner**  
**Committee: Regulatory Reform**  
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## SUMMARY:

House Bill 6173 would amend the Michigan Consumer Protection Act to require certain disclosures by a third party that offers online services that are performed by a state agency or department.

The act states that unfair, unconscionable, or deceptive methods, acts, or practices in the conduct of trade or commerce are unlawful, and it lists activities that constitute these methods, acts, or practices.

The bill would amend the act to provide that if a *third party* offers online services that are performed by a state agency, department, or division, the third party would have to do all of the following (failure to do so would be a violation):

- Conspicuously indicate on its website that it is not an agency, department, or division of the state.
- Provide a link on its website to the state agency, department, or division website where a person could utilize the online service.
- Conspicuously indicate—before a transaction for an online service is completed—any fee it would charge.

*Third party* would mean a person that is not a state agency, department, or division.

MCL 445.903 and proposed MCL 445.903/

## FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill would not have a direct fiscal impact on the state or local units of government.

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