SENATE BILL NO. 1199

October 21, 2020, Introduced by Senator NESBITT and referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 390, entitled "Emergency management act,"

by amending section 5 (MCL 30.405), as amended by 2006 PA 545.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 5. (1) In addition to the general authority granted to
- 2 the governor by this act, the governor may, upon the declaration of
- 3 a state of disaster or a state of emergency do 1 or more of the
- 4 following:
- 5 (a) Suspend a regulatory statute, order, or rule prescribing
- 6 the procedures for conduct of state business, when strict

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- 1 compliance with the statute, order, or rule would prevent, hinder,
- 2 or delay necessary action in coping with the disaster or emergency.
- 3 This power does not extend to the suspension of criminal process
- 4 and procedures.
- 5 (b) Utilize the available resources of the this state and its
- 6 political subdivisions, and those of the federal government made
- 7 available to the this state, as are reasonably necessary to cope
- 8 with the disaster or emergency.
- 9 (c) Transfer the direction, personnel, or functions of state
- 10 departments, agencies, or units thereof for the purpose of
- 11 performing or facilitating emergency management.
- 12 (d) Subject to appropriate compensation, as authorized by the
- 13 legislature, commandeer or utilize private property necessary to
- 14 cope with the disaster or emergency.
- 15 (e) Direct and compel the evacuation of all or part of the
- 16 population from a stricken or threatened area within the this state
- 17 if necessary for the preservation of life or other mitigation,
- 18 response, or recovery activities.
- 19 (f) Prescribe routes, modes, and destination of transportation
- 20 in connection with an evacuation.
- 21 (g) Control ingress and egress to and from a stricken or
- 22 threatened area, removal of persons within the area, and the
- 23 occupancy of premises within the area.
- 24 (h) Suspend or limit the sale, dispensing, or transportation
- 25 of alcoholic beverages, explosives, and combustibles.
- (i) Provide for the availability and use of temporary
- 27 emergency housing.
- 28 (j) Direct all other actions which are necessary and
- 29 appropriate under the circumstances.

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- (2) Subsection (1) does not authorize the seizure, taking, or
 confiscation of lawfully possessed firearms or ammunition.
- 3 (3) A-Except as otherwise provided in subsection (4), a person 4 who willfully disobeys or interferes with the implementation of a 5 rule, order, or directive issued by the governor pursuant to under 6 this section is quilty of a misdemeanor.
- 7 (4) If a person is charged with a misdemeanor or issued a 8 citation for a civil infraction for conduct that occurred after 9 April 30, 2020 and before October 14, 2020 that constitutes 10 willfully disobeying or interfering with the implementation of a 11 rule, order, or directive issued by the governor under this act or 12 for violating an order, rule, or regulation described in section 3 of 1945 PA 302, MCL 10.33, that charge or citation shall be 13 14 dismissed with prejudice. If a person has been found guilty of a 15 violation or found responsible for a civil infraction described in 16 this subsection, the court that entered that conviction shall set 17 aside that conviction or set aside the judgment or order for the 18 civil infraction and return any fine or costs collected.