SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 4076

A bill to amend 1976 PA 220, entitled "Persons with disabilities civil rights act,"
(MCL 37.1101 to 37.1607) by adding section 102a.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 102a. (1) The commission shall adopt and post on the
- 2 website of the department of civil rights a standardized design
- 3 that is a variation of the current international symbol of access.
- 4 The design must comply with all of the following:
- 5 (a) Depict a dynamic character leaning forward in a wheelchair 6 with a sense of movement.
- 7 (b) Provide a contrasting background with either a light 8 symbol on a blue background or a blue symbol on a light background.
- 9 (c) Be substantially equivalent to the international symbol of

1 access.

- 2 (d) Be simple and avoid any secondary meaning.
- 3 (2) Beginning 1 year after the effective date of the
- 4 amendatory act that added this section, each new placement or
- 5 replacement of an international symbol of access sign required by
- 6 law, ordinance, or administrative rule of this state or a local
- 7 unit of government of this state must use the design adopted under
- 8 this section. For any placement or replacement of the international
- 9 symbol of access that is not required by law, ordinance, or
- 10 administrative rule of this state or a local unit of government of
- 11 this state, the commission and the department of civil rights shall
- 12 encourage use of the design adopted under this section.
- 13 (3) The commission and the department of civil rights shall
- 14 encourage removal of the word "handicapped" from any signs or other
- 15 means of communication of this state or any local unit of
- 16 government of this state.
- 17 (4) For the purpose of this section, encouraging the use of
- 18 the design adopted under this section or the removal of the word
- 19 "handicapped" do not include any form of civil, criminal,
- 20 administrative, or regulatory action against any person or entity.
- 21 (5) Any government issued item currently in use by this state
- 22 or any department, agency, or office of this state, local unit of
- 23 government of this state, or other entity or individual that
- 24 contains the international symbol of access may continue to be used
- 25 until there is a need to replace that item.
- 26 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
- 27 after the date it is enacted into law.
- 28 Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect
- 29 unless House Bill No. 4075 of the 101st Legislature is enacted into

1 law.