HOUSE BILL NO. 4196

February 10, 2021, Introduced by Rep. Hornberger and referred to the Committee on Elections and Ethics.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 388, entitled "Michigan campaign finance act,"

(MCL 169.201 to 169.282) by adding section 48.

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Sec. 48. (1) An automated telephonic communication to an elector that relates to an election, a candidate, or a ballot question must clearly state the name of the person paying for the communication.
 - (2) If the communication described in subsection (1) relates

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13 14 to a candidate and is an independent expenditure not authorized in writing by that candidate's candidate committee, the communication must also clearly state the following disclaimer: "Not authorized by any candidate committee". If the communication described in subsection (1) relates to a candidate and is not an independent expenditure, but is paid for by a person other than the candidate to whom it is related, the communication must also clearly state the following disclaimer:

9 "Authorized by _____"

10 (name of candidate or name of candidate committee)

- (3) A communication described in subsection (1) must clearly state the name of the person paying for the communication and any disclaimers required under subsection (2) at the beginning of the communication.
- 15 (4) A person who knowingly violates this section is subject to 16 a civil fine of not more than \$1,000.00 for each violation.