HOUSE BILL NO. 4750

June 14, 2023, Introduced by Reps. Kuhn and Steele and referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

A bill to amend 1986 PA 268, entitled "Legislative council act,"

by amending section 109 (MCL 4.1109) and by adding section 204h.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 109. An employee of the bureau shall not urge or oppose
- ${f 2}$ legislation, but ${f upon-on}$ request shall aid and assist the members
- 3 of the legislature by advising as to bills and resolutions and by
- ${f 4}$ furnishing to them the fullest information ${f upon}$ on all matters
- 5 within the scope of the bureau relating to their public duties.

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- 1 However, the director may recommend legislation to the legislative
- 2 council or the law revision commission. An employee of the bureau
- 3 shall not reveal to any person outside the bureau the contents or
- 4 nature of any matter not yet published without the consent of the
- 5 person bringing the matter before the bureau. A substitute
- 6 recommended by a committee, an amendment recommended by a
- 7 committee, or a conference report shall be is considered published
- 8 when received by the clerk of the house of representatives or
- 9 secretary of the senate, or both, as is appropriate. The clerk of
- 10 the house of representatives or the secretary of the senate, as is
- 11 appropriate, shall notify the bureau upon on receipt of a
- 12 substitute, an amendment recommended by a committee, or a
- 13 conference committee report. A written statement as that term is
- 14 defined in section 204h is considered published when made available
- 15 to the public on the internet under section 204h.
- 16 Sec. 204h. (1) Notwithstanding section 204, the council shall
- 17 make each written statement provided to the council by a sponsoring
- 18 legislator available to the public on the internet.
- 19 (2) The written statement must be made available in the
- 20 shortest feasible time after the written statement is provided to
- 21 the council.
- 22 (3) This section does not alter or relinquish any copyright or
- 23 other proprietary interest or entitlement of this state relating to
- 24 any of the information made available under this section.
- 25 (4) The council shall not charge a fee for the information
- 26 provided under this section.
- 27 (5) As used in this section:
- 28 (a) "Legislatively directed spending item" means that term as
- 29 defined in section 364 of the management and budget act, 1984 PA

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- 1 431, MCL 18.1364.
- 2 (b) "Sponsoring legislator" means that term as defined in
- 3 section 364 of the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL
- 4 18.1364.
- 5 (c) "Written statement" means a written statement provided by
- 6 a sponsoring legislator regarding a legislatively directed spending
- 7 item under section 364 of the management and budget act, 1984 PA
- 8 431, MCL 18.1364.
- 9 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
- 10 unless Senate Bill No. or House Bill No. 4751 (request no.
- 11 02777'23) of the 102nd Legislature is enacted into law.