SENATE BILL NO. 222

March 21, 2023, Introduced by Senators RUNESTAD and JOHNSON and referred to the Committee on Elections and Ethics.

A bill to amend 1978 PA 472, entitled

"An act to regulate political activity; to regulate lobbyists, lobbyist agents, and lobbying activities; to require registration of lobbyists and lobbyist agents; to require the filing of reports; to prescribe the powers and duties of the department of state; to prescribe penalties; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts,"

by amending section 6a (MCL 4.416a), as added by 1994 PA 383, and by adding section 6b.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 6a. (1) A—For 2 years after leaving office, a former

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- 1 member of the Michigan senate or house of representatives who
- 2 resigns from office shall not make expenditures for or receive
- 3 compensation or reimbursement for actual expenses for lobbying for
- 4 the remainder of the term of office from which the person resigned.
- 5 that equal or exceed the limit established to require registration
- 6 as a lobbyist agent.
- 7 (2) A person who violates this section is quilty of a
- 8 misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000.00 or by
- 9 imprisonment for not more than 90 days or a fine of not more than
- 10 \$1,000.00, or both.
- 11 Sec. 6b. (1) For 3 years after leaving office, a former member
- 12 of the Michigan senate or house of representatives who was, at any
- 13 time, the chair of a standing committee of the senate or house of
- 14 representatives shall not make expenditures for or receive
- 15 compensation or reimbursement for actual expenses for lobbying that
- 16 equal or exceed the limit established to require registration as a
- 17 lobbyist agent.
- 18 (2) A person who violates this section is guilty of a
- 19 misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 90 days or
- 20 a fine of not more than \$1,000.00, or both.
- 21 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
- 22 after the date it is enacted into law.