SENATE BILL NO. 616

October 24, 2023, Introduced by Senators MCBROOM, NESBITT, BRINKS, HUIZENGA, SINGH, MOSS, MCDONALD RIVET and CAVANAGH and referred to the Committee on Oversight.

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

by amending section 44 (MCL 169.244), as amended by 2017 PA 119.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 44. (1) A person shall not make a contribution to another
- 2 person with the agreement or arrangement that the person receiving
- 3 the contribution will then transfer that contribution to a
- 4 particular candidate committee.
- 5 (2) Except as otherwise provided in this section and sections

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- 1 21a, 44a, 45, and 71, a candidate committee shall not make an
- 2 expenditure or other disbursement except to further the nomination
- 3 or election of the candidate for which it is formed. A candidate
- 4 committee shall not make a contribution to or an independent
- 5 expenditure on behalf of another candidate committee. This
- 6 subsection does not prohibit the purchase of tickets to another
- 7 candidate committee's fund-raising event that does not exceed
- 8 \$100.00 per candidate committee in any calendar year.
- 9 (3) An individual, other than a committee treasurer or the
- 10 individual designated as responsible for the record keeping, report
- 11 preparation, or report filing for a committee, who obtains
- 12 possession of a committee's contribution for the purpose of
- 13 delivering the contribution to another committee shall deliver the
- 14 contribution to that committee, that committee's treasurer, or that
- 15 committee's agent, or return the contribution to the payor, not
- 16 later than 10 business days after obtaining possession of the
- 17 contribution.
- 18 (4) Two or more persons, other than individuals, may hold a
- 19 joint fund-raiser if the receipts and expenses of the fund-raiser
- 20 are shared proportionately.
- 21 (5) A person who knowingly violates this section is guilty of
- 22 a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 90 days
- 23 or a fine of not more than \$1,000.00, or both.
- 24 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
- 25 unless all of the following bills of the 102nd Legislature are
- 26 enacted into law:
- 27 (a) Senate Bill No. 613.

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29 (b) Senate Bill No. 614.

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2 (c) Senate Bill No. 615.

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