## **SENATE BILL NO. 951**

June 26, 2024, Introduced by Senators LINDSEY, RUNESTAD, THEIS, BELLINO, DAMOOSE and DALEY and referred to the Committee on Economic and Community Development.

A bill to amend 1984 PA 270, entitled "Michigan strategic fund act,"

by amending sections 88s and 88t (MCL 125.2088s and 125.2088t), section 88s as added by 2021 PA 136 and section 88t as added by 2021 PA 134, and by adding section 7c.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 7c. (1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this
- 2 act, the fund shall not provide a grant, loan, or other economic
- 3 assistance to a disqualified person or for the benefit of a
- 4 disqualified person.

- 1 (2) The legislature finds that this section and sections
- 2 88s(11) and (12) and 88t(16) and (17) are reasonable and necessary
- 3 for the public good and the general welfare of the people of this
- 4 state.
- 5 (3) As used in this section:
- 6 (a) "Adversarial entity" means an entity on the entity list
- 7 published by the United States Department of Commerce's Bureau of
- 8 Industry and Security in Supplement No. 4 to 15 CFR part 744.
- 9 (b) "Country of concern" means any of the following:
- 10 (i) A country designated by the United States Department of
- 11 Defense as a country of special concern as part of the Trusted
- 12 Capital program.
- 13 (ii) A state sponsor of terror.
- 14 (iii) A military end-user country.
- 15 (c) "Disqualified person" means any of the following:
- 16 (i) A country of concern.
- 17 (ii) An entity incorporated, organized, or formed in a country
- 18 of concern.
- 19 (iii) An entity headquartered in a country of concern.
- 20 (iv) A resident of a country of concern.
- 21 (v) An adversarial entity.
- 22 (vi) A military end-user entity.
- 23 (vii) An entity in which a person described in subparagraph (i)
- 24 to (vi), or a combination of persons described in subparagraph (i) to
- 25 (vi), holds, directly or indirectly, a more than 10% voting or
- 26 ownership interest in the entity or has control over the day-to-day
- 27 operations of the entity by contract or law.
- 28 (d) "Military end-user country" means a country on the

- 1 military end-user list published by the United States Department of
- 2 Commerce's Bureau of Industry and Security in Supplement No. 7 to
- 3 15 CFR part 744.
- 4 (e) "Military end-user entity" means an entity on the military
- 5 end-user list published by the United States Department of
- 6 Commerce's Bureau of Industry and Security in Supplement No. 7 to
- 7 15 CFR part 744.
- 8 (f) "State sponsor of terror" means a country determined by
- 9 the United States Secretary of State to have repeatedly provided
- 10 support for acts of international terrorism.
- 11 Sec. 88s. (1) The fund shall create and operate the critical
- 12 industry program. The fund shall use money transferred from the
- 13 strategic outreach and attraction reserve fund created in section 4
- 14 of the Michigan trust fund act, 2000 PA 489, MCL 12.254, or money
- 15 appropriated to the program to make qualified investments to
- 16 qualified businesses.
- 17 (2) The fund shall expend money allocated to the Michigan
- 18 critical industry program only to provide qualified investments to
- 19 qualified businesses for deal-closing, gap financing, or other
- 20 economic assistance to create or retain qualified jobs as a result
- 21 of a technological shift in product or production or make capital
- 22 investments, or both, as determined by the fund board. The program
- 23 must provide for a detailed application, approval, and compliance
- 24 process that is also published and available on the fund's website.
- 25 (3) The fund shall consider and document at a minimum all of
- 26 the following criteria to the extent reasonably applicable as
- 27 reasonably determined by the fund board to the type of project
- 28 proposed before entering into a written agreement for a qualified
- 29 investment as provided under subsection (4):

- 1 (a) The importance of the project to the community in which it2 is located.
- 3 (b) If the project will act as a catalyst for additional
- 4 revitalization of the community in which it is located and this
- 5 state.
- 6 (c) The amount of local community and financial support for
- 7 the project.
- 8 (d) The applicant's financial need for a qualified investment
- 9 from the critical industry program.
- 10 (e) The extent of reuse of vacant buildings, public or
- 11 private, reuse of historic resources, and redevelopment of blighted
- 12 property.
- 13 (f) Creation or retention of qualified jobs as a result of a
- 14 technological shift in product or production at the project
- 15 location and within this state.
- 16 (g) The level of other public funds including, but not limited
- 17 to, the appropriation of federal or state funds and any federal or
- 18 state tax credits.
- (h) The level of any private funds, investments, or
- 20 contributions into the project including, but not limited to, the
- 21 qualified business's own investments in the project.
- (i) Whether and how the project is financially and
- 23 economically sound.
- 24 (j) Whether and how the project promotes sustainable
- 25 development.
- 26 (k) Whether and how the project involves the rehabilitation of
- 27 a historic resource.
- 28 (1) Whether and how the project addresses areawide
- 29 redevelopment and the overall economic benefit to the existing

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- 2 (m) The level and extent of environmental contamination.
- 3 (n) Whether and how the project will compete with or affect4 existing Michigan businesses within the same industry.
- (o) Whether and how the project's proximity to rail and
  utility will impact performance of the project and maximize energy
  and logistics needs in the community in which it is located and in
  this state.
- 9 (p) The risk of obsolescence of the project, products, and10 investments in the future.
  - (q) The overall return on investment to this state.
- (r) Whether and how the project addresses food supplychallenges.
- 14 (s) Any other additional criteria approved by the board that
  15 are specific to each individual project and are consistent with the
  purpose of this program.
  - (4) If the fund determines, after making the considerations under subsection (3), to award a qualified investment to a qualified business under this program, the fund shall enter into a written agreement with the qualified business that includes in a clear and concise manner all of the terms and conditions relating to the qualified investment as determined and documented by the fund board, including, but not limited to, the following:
  - (a) Specific time frames and benchmarks to be met before the qualified business receives a disbursement in installments under the critical industry program pursuant to the approved qualified investment.
- (b) Specific terms relating to the required creation orretention of qualified jobs as a result of a technological shift in

- 1 product or production at the project location and within this
- 2 state, including measurable outcomes, proration of payments for
- 3 partial performance, clawback and specific repayment provisions for
- 4 breach of the agreement, or for failure to meet measurable
- 5 outcomes.

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- 6 (c) Specific penalties for noncompliance with the written7 agreement as determined by the fund.
- 8 (d) A provision that all money that is subject to a clawback
  9 or required to be repaid under a specific repayment provision must
  10 be paid within 90 days of notification by the fund. Any amounts not
  11 paid within that 90-day period are subject to a penalty of 1% per
  12 month, prorated on a daily basis.
- (e) A provision that this state shall have a security interest as that term is defined in section  $\frac{1201(2)(ii)}{1201}$  of the uniform commercial code, 1962 PA 174, MCL 440.1201, to the extent of the qualified investment. This provision does not apply if it conflicts with any contractual obligation of the qualified business or any federal or state bankruptcy or insolvency laws.
- (f) A provision that the qualified business will provide the
  data described in the written agreement that are necessary for the
  fund to report to the legislature as required under this program.
  - (g) A provision that the qualified business may enter into direct agreements with workforce training providers, when appropriate, as determined by the fund to meet the workforce requirements of a qualified investment.
- (5) If the fund receives a request to modify an existing
  written agreement for a qualified investment under this program,
  the fund must provide a copy of that requested modification to each
  member of the legislature, the governor, the clerk of the house of

- 1 representatives, the secretary of the senate, and the senate and
- 2 house fiscal agencies within 5 business days of after the receipt
- 3 of the modification request. In addition to the copy of the request
- 4 for modification, the notice provided under this subsection must
- 5 also include the specific provisions to be modified and the
- 6 rationale for considering the modification. Before the fund
- 7 modifies an existing written agreement for a qualified investment,
- 8 the fund must give notice of the proposed amendments and publish
- 9 them on the fund's internet website at least 1 business day prior
- 10 to before a public hearing on the proposed amendments. If the fund
- 11 approves and modifies an existing written agreement under this
- 12 subsection, the fund must provide a copy of that amended written
- 13 agreement to each member of the legislature, the governor, the
- 14 clerk of the house of representatives, the secretary of the senate,
- 15 and the senate and house fiscal agencies within 1 business day of
- 16 the modification.
- 17 (6) If the fund board seeks to make a determination as to In
- 18 determining whether a qualified investment approved under this
- 19 program represents a fair exchange of value for value, the fund may
- 20 consider the total value to this state of the qualified investment
- 21 and the best interests of this state, including, but not limited
- 22 to, any positive economic impact to this state likely to be
- 23 generated by the qualified business pursuant to the written
- 24 agreement for a qualified investment, especially economic impact
- 25 resulting in the location of a high-economic-impact business
- 26 facility in this state, increased capital investment in this state,
- 27 and the creation or retention of qualified jobs as a result of a
- 28 technological shift in product or production in this state.
- 29 (7) The fund board shall not disburse funds allocated to the

- 1 program for a qualified investment to a qualified business if that
- 2 qualified business has not fully repaid all money subject to
- 3 clawback or required to be repaid under a specific repayment
- 4 provision as provided in any written agreement under this act or if
- 5 that qualified business is in default on any grant, loan,
- 6 investment, or other economic assistance made or quaranteed by this
- 7 state. All money paid to the fund pursuant to a clawback or
- 8 specific repayment provision for a qualified investment under this
- 9 program shall must be deposited in the strategic outreach and
- 10 attraction reserve fund created in section 4 of the Michigan trust
- 11 fund act, 2000 PA 489, MCL 12.254. The fund shall not use money
- 12 allocated to the program for administrative purposes. Any money
- 13 that is allocated to the program that remains unexpended,
- 14 unallocated, or unobligated at the end of a fiscal year shall
- 15 revert reverts back to the strategic outreach and attraction
- 16 reserve fund created in section 4 of the Michigan trust fund act,
- **17** 2000 PA 489, MCL 12.254.
- 18 (8) Not later than March 15 of each year, the fund shall
- 19 transmit to each member of the legislature, the governor, the clerk
- 20 of the house of representatives, the secretary of the senate, and
- 21 the senate and house fiscal agencies a report on the activities of
- 22 the critical industry program. The report must include all of the
- 23 following:
- 24 (a) A list of qualified businesses that received a qualified
- 25 investment.
- 26 (b) The type of project or product approved for a qualified
- 27 investment.
- (c) The amount and type of qualified investment.
- 29 (d) For each separate form of qualified investment, all of the

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- 2 (i) The number of qualified jobs committed or projected to be
  3 created or retained as a result of a technological shift in product
  4 or production when the qualified investment was applied for.
- (ii) The actual number of qualified jobs created or retained as
  a result of a technological shift in product or production that are
  not temporary employees.
- 8 (iii) The average annual salary of the qualified jobs created or
  9 retained as a result of a technological shift in product or
  10 production that are not temporary employees.
  - (e) The duration of the qualified investment.
- 12 (f) The amount of other financial assistance other than state
  13 resources.
- 19 (9) If the fund fails to transmit the report as required in 20 subsection (8) on or before March 15, the fund board shall not 21 disburse funds for a qualified investment under this program until 22 it transmits the report as required under subsection (8).
- (10) The legislature finds and declares that funding provided
  under this program is for a public purpose and serves the health,
  safety, and general welfare of the residents of this state.
  - (11) The fund shall not enter into a written agreement with a disqualified person on or after the effective date of the amendatory act that added section 7c. This subsection applies regardless of whether money has been allocated to the program for a

- 1 qualified investment to that disqualified person or whether a term
- 2 sheet has been issued for the qualified investment to the
- 3 disqualified person.

- 4 (12) If the fund entered into a written agreement with a
  5 disqualified person before the effective date of the amendatory act
  6 that added section 7c, both of the following apply:
  - (a) The written agreement is against public policy and is void and unenforceable.
  - (b) The fund board shall not disburse funds allocated to the program for the qualified investment to the disqualified person.
    - (13)  $\frac{(11)}{}$  As used in this section:
- (a) "Critical industry program" or "program" means the
  critical industry program created in under subsection (1).
- 14 (b) "Disqualified person" means that term as defined in 15 section 7c.
  - (c) (b)—"Qualified business" means a business that is located in or operates in this state or will locate or will operate in this state as determined by the fund board. A qualified business may include more than 1 business as determined by the fund board.
    - (d) (e)—"Qualified investment" means a grant, loan, or other economic assistance for a project subject to a written agreement with a qualified business under this program. Qualified investment includes a grant, loan, or other economic assistance for creation or retention of qualified jobs as a result of a technological shift in product or production, infrastructure improvements, other capital investments, the purchase or acquisition of heavy machinery, or other assistance, including, but not limited to, an agreement providing for assistance via the transportation economic development fund created under section 2 of 1987 PA 231, MCL

- 1 247.902. Qualified investment also includes a grant, loan, or other
- 2 economic assistance for job training opportunities or workforce
- 3 development and education, or both.
- 4 (e) (d) "Qualified job" means a job performed by an individual
- 5 who is a resident of this state whose Michigan income taxes are
- 6 withheld by an employer, or an employee leasing company or
- 7 professional employer organization on behalf of the employer, or by
- 8 an individual who is not a resident of this state and is employed
- 9 by a business at a project location that is located in this state,
- 10 as determined and verified by the fund.
  - (f) "Written agreement" means a written agreement entered into
- 12 by the fund with a qualified business under subsection (4).
- Sec. 88t. (1) The fund shall create and operate the Michigan
- 14 strategic site readiness program. The fund shall use the program
- 15 money transferred from the strategic outreach and attraction
- 16 reserve fund created in section 4 of the Michigan trust fund act,
- 2000 PA 489, MCL 12.254, or money appropriated to the program to
- 18 make grants, loans, or other economic assistance under this
- 19 program.

- 20 (2) The fund shall expend money allocated to the Michigan
- 21 strategic site readiness program only to provide grants, loans, and
- 22 other economic assistance for eligible applicants to conduct
- 23 eligible activities for the purpose of creating investment-ready
- 24 sites to attract and promote investment in this state for eligible
- 25 activities on, or related to, strategic sites and mega-strategic
- 26 sites. The program must provide for a detailed application,
- 27 approval, and compliance process that is also published and
- 28 available on the fund's website. The detailed application,
- 29 approval, and compliance process must, at a minimum, provide for

- 1 all of the following:
- 2 (a) An eligible applicant may apply for a grant, loan, or
- 3 other economic assistance in a form and manner determined by the
- 4 fund.
- 5 (b) The fund shall establish separate application criteria for
- 6 mega-strategic sites and for strategic sites that are not mega-
- 7 strategic sites and for sites that have, and that do not have, a
- 8 specifically identified end user.
- 9 (3) Before approving an application under this section, the
- 10 fund shall consider and document, at a minimum, all of the
- 11 following criteria to the extent reasonably applicable as
- 12 reasonably determined by the fund board to the type of project
- 13 proposed before entering into a written agreement for a grant,
- 14 loan, or other economic assistance as provided under this program:
- 15 (a) The importance of the project or eligible activities to
- 16 the community in which it is located.
- 17 (b) If the project will act as a catalyst for additional
- 18 revitalization of the community in which it is located and this
- 19 state.
- (c) The amount of local community and financial support for
- 21 the project.
- 22 (d) The amount of any other economic assistance or support
- 23 provided by this state for the project.
- 24 (e) The amount of any other economic assistance or support
- 25 provided by the federal government for the project including, but
- 26 not limited to, federal appropriations or tax credits.
- (f) The amount of any private funds or investments for the
- 28 project including the applicant's own investments in the project.
- 29 (g) The applicant's financial need for a grant, loan, or other

- 1 economic assistance under this program.
- 2 (h) The extent of reuse of vacant buildings, public or
- 3 private, reuse of historic resources, and redevelopment of blighted
- 4 property.
- 5 (i) Creation or retention of qualified jobs as a result of a
- 6 technological shift in product or production at the project
- 7 location and within this state.
- 8 (j) Whether and how the project is financially and
- 9 economically sound.
- 10 (k) Whether and how the project converts abandoned public
- 11 buildings to private use.
- 12 (1) Whether and how the project promotes sustainable
- 13 development.
- 14 (m) Whether and how the project involves the rehabilitation of
- 15 a historic resource.
- 16 (n) Whether and how the project addresses areawide
- 17 redevelopment.
- 18 (o) Whether and how the project addresses underserved markets
- 19 of commerce.
- 20 (p) The level and extent of environmental contamination.
- 21 (q) Whether and how the project will compete with or affect
- 22 existing Michigan businesses within the same industry.
- (r) Whether and how the project's proximity to rail and
- 24 utility will impact performance of the project and maximize energy
- 25 and logistics needs in the community in which it is located and in
- 26 this state.
- 27 (s) The risk of obsolescence of the project, products, and
- 28 investments in the future.
- (t) The overall return on investment to this state.

- (u) Whether the proposed strategic site or mega-strategic site
   is incorporated into a strategic plan of a political subdivision of
   this state.
- 4 (v) Any other additional criteria approved by the fund board
  5 that are specific to each individual project and are consistent
  6 with the purpose of this program.
- 7 (4) If the fund determines, after the considerations under 8 subsection (3), to provide a grant, loan, or other economic 9 assistance to an eligible applicant under this program, the fund 10 shall enter into a written agreement with the eligible applicant 11 that includes in a clear and concise manner all of the terms and conditions related to the grant, loan, or other economic assistance 12 as determined and documented by the fund board, including, but not 13 14 limited to, the following:
- (a) Specific dates and benchmarks for the eligible applicant to receive a grant, loan, or other economic assistance under this program, including conditions for the disbursement of funds in installments.
- (b) For a grant, loan, or other economic assistance provided to a person identified as the end user of the site, a clawback and specific repayment provision if the person fails to comply with the provisions of the written agreement.

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- (c) A provision that all money that is subject to clawback or required to be repaid under a specific repayment provision must be paid within 90 days of notification by the fund. Any amounts not paid within that 90-day period are subject to a penalty of 1% per month, prorated on a daily basis.
- 28 (d) A provision that this state shall have a security interest 29 as that term is defined in section  $\frac{1201(2)(ii)}{1201}$  of the uniform

- 1 commercial code, 1962 PA 174, MCL 440.1201, to the extent of the
- 2 grant, loan, or other economic assistance provided under this
- 3 program. This provision does not apply if it conflicts with any
- 4 contractual obligation of the eligible applicant or any federal or
- 5 state bankruptcy or insolvency laws.
- 6 (e) An audit provision that requires the fund to verify that7 the established benchmarks for the project have been met.
- 8 (5) In addition to the considerations under subsection (3), in
- 9 determining whether to approve a grant, loan, or other economic
- 10 assistance for a strategic site for which an end user has not been
- 11 specifically identified, the fund shall consider and document, as
- 12 reasonably determined by the fund board, at a minimum all of the
- 13 following:
- 14 (a) The degree to which the proposed site demonstrates a high
- 15 level of competitiveness for future development, considering and
- 16 documenting all of the following:
- (i) Whether the proposed site is currently assembled.
- 18 (ii) Whether the proposed site is under site control.
- 19 (iii) Whether the proposed site is of a size, configuration,
- 20 location, and condition that makes the site substantially ready for
- 21 marketing and competitive for development upon on completion of the
- 22 grant, loan, or other economic assistance proposed to be offered
- 23 under this program and demonstrated matching contributions.
- 24 (b) Whether the proposed investment will result in the
- 25 elimination of blight and the remediation of environmental
- 26 contamination.
- 27 (c) The degree of local matching contributions.
- 28 (d) Whether the award will promote geographic equity in the
- 29 distribution of funds between different areas of this state.

- (e) Whether the eligible applicant has pursued all available
   cost-containment measures.
- 3 (6) In determining whether to approve a grant, loan, or other4 economic assistance for a mega-strategic site for which an end user
- 5 has not been specifically identified, the fund shall consider and
- 6 document, in addition to the criteria in subsections (3) and
- 7 (5)(a), at a minimum all of the following criteria related to the
- 8 strategic basis for the investment and feasibility of the
- 9 investment:

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- 10 (a) Whether the proposed mega-strategic site is supported by a11 strategic analysis that supports the demand for that site.
  - (b) The feasibility of proposed land acquisition.
- (c) Utility and transportation availability, and thefeasibility of necessary utility and transportation improvements.
  - (d) Workforce availability and training capability.
- (e) Environmental and topographical conditions, and the feasibility of necessary site improvements to address environmental and topographical conditions.
- 19 (7) In addition to the considerations under subsection (3), in 20 determining whether to approve a grant, loan, or other economic 21 assistance for a project for which an end user has been 22 specifically identified, the fund shall consider and document, as 23 reasonably determined by the fund board, all of the following:
- (a) The strategic economic importance of the project to thecommunity in which it is located and to this state.
- (b) Whether the financial assistance is needed to secure theproject in this state.
- (c) The degree to which the project is a priority for thelocal governmental unit or local economic development corporation

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- 2 (d) The level of creation or retention of qualified jobs as a3 result of a technological shift in product or production.
  - (e) Whether the qualified jobs created or retained as a result of a technological shift in product or production equal or exceed the average wage for the county in which the project is located.
    - (f) The level of capital investment.
    - (g) The evidence of the end user's commitment to the site.
    - (8) If the fund receives a request to modify an existing written agreement for a grant, loan, or other economic assistance under this program, the fund must provide a copy of that requested modification to each member of the legislature, the governor, the clerk of the house of representatives, the secretary of the senate, and the senate and house fiscal agencies within 5 business days of after the receipt of the modification request. In addition to the copy of the request for modification, the notice provided under this subsection must also include the specific provisions to be modified and the rationale for considering the modification. Before the fund modifies an existing written agreement for a grant, loan, or other economic assistance under this program, the fund must give notice of the proposed amendments and publish them on the fund's internet website at least 1 business day prior to before a public hearing on the proposed amendments. If the fund approves and modifies an existing written agreement under this subsection, the fund must provide a copy of that amended written agreement to each member of the legislature, the governor, the clerk of the house of representatives, the secretary of the senate, and the senate and house fiscal agencies within 1 business day of the modification.
      - (9) In making an award for a mega-strategic site under this

- 1 program that does not have a specifically identified end user, the
- 2 fund, working in collaboration with the eligible applicant, shall
- 3 prepare a mega-strategic site investment strategy and spending plan
- 4 that details the sequence and cost of anticipated investments in
- 5 the selected mega-strategic site, the benchmarks for bringing the
- 6 mega-strategic site to a marketable condition, and the marketing
- 7 strategy for the mega-site. Each plan must have the objective of
- 8 establishing a certified mega-strategic site under a nationally
- 9 recognized third-party certification program.
- 10 (10) The fund shall post on its website or post on the website
- 11 of the Michigan economic development corporation, not less than
- 12 every 3 months, the name of the eligible applicant or applicants,
- 13 the location of each site that received a grant, loan, or other
- 14 economic assistance under this program in that period, and the
- 15 amount of the grant, loan, or other economic assistance.
- 16 (11) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this section,
- 17 the program may make grants and provide technical assistance to
- 18 local economic development corporations for the purpose of creating
- 19 an inventory of development-ready sites, provided that if the
- 20 inventory shall utilize utilizes nationally recognized criteria to
- 21 identify the readiness of those sites for investment, and provided
- 22 further that if the fund shall maintain maintains a comprehensive
- 23 inventory of those sites on its website. The inventory maintained
- 24 on the website shall must include in an interactive and user-
- 25 friendly manner a listing of all local and state development-ready
- 26 sites and any pictures, maps, and other documentation related to
- 27 those sites.
- 28 (12) The fund board shall not disburse money from the program
- 29 for a grant, loan, or other economic assistance to an eligible

- 1 applicant if that eligible applicant has not fully repaid all money
- 2 subject to clawback or required to be repaid under a specific
- 3 repayment provision as provided in any written agreement under this
- 4 act or if that eligible applicant is in default on any grant, loan,
- 5 or other economic assistance made or guaranteed by this state. All
- 6 money paid to the fund pursuant to a clawback or specific repayment
- 7 provision for a grant, loan, or other economic assistance under
- 8 this program shall be deposited in the strategic outreach and
- 9 attraction reserve fund created in section 4 of the Michigan trust
- 10 fund act, 2000 PA 489, MCL 12.254. The fund shall not use money
- 11 allocated to the program for administrative purposes. Any money
- 12 that is allocated to the program that remains unexpended,
- 13 unallocated, or unobligated at the end of the fiscal year shall
- 14 revert reverts back to the strategic outreach and attraction
- 15 reserve fund created in section 4 of the Michigan trust fund act,
- **16** 2000 PA 489, MCL 12.254.
- 17 (13) Not later than March 15 of each year, the fund shall
- 18 transmit to each member of the legislature, the governor, the clerk
- 19 of the house of representatives, the secretary of the senate, and
- 20 the senate and house fiscal agencies a report on the activities of
- 21 the Michigan strategic site readiness fund. The report must include
- 22 all of the following:
- 23 (a) A list of eligible applicants that received a grant, loan,
- 24 or other economic assistance.
- 25 (b) The type of project or eligible activities approved for an
- 26 award under this program.
- (c) The amount and type of each award.
- 28 (d) The duration of the grant, loan, or other economic
- 29 assistance.

(e) The amount of other financial assistance other than state
 resources.

- (f) Money or other revenue or property returned to the strategic outreach and attraction reserve fund, including any clawbacks and repayments due to a breach of the written agreement.
- (14) If the fund fails to transmit the report as required in subsection (13) on or before March 15, the fund board shall not disburse money for a grant, loan, or other economic assistance under this program until it transmits the report as required under subsection (13).
  - (15) The legislature finds and declares that funding provided under this program is for a public purpose and serves the health, safety, and general welfare of the residents of this state.
  - (16) The fund shall not enter into a written agreement with respect to a site for which the eligible applicant or end user is a disqualified person on or after the effective date of the amendatory act that added section 7c. This subsection applies regardless of whether money has been allocated to the program for a grant, loan, or other economic assistance for eligible activities at that site or whether a term sheet has been issued for a grant, loan, or other economic assistance for eligible activities at that site.
- (17) If the fund entered into a written agreement with respect to a site for which the eligible applicant or end user is a disqualified person before the effective date of the amendatory act that added section 7c, both of the following apply:
- 27 (a) The written agreement is against public policy and is void 28 and unenforceable.
  - (b) The fund board shall not disburse funds allocated to the

- 1 program for a grant, loan, or other economic assistance for
- 2 eligible activities at that site.
- 3 (18)  $\frac{(16)}{}$  As used in this section:
- 4 (a) "Disqualified person" means that term as defined in section 7c.
- 6 (b) (a) "Eliqible activities" means, with respect to a site
- 7 that is the subject of an application under this program, 1 or more
- 8 of the following:
- 9 (i) Land acquisition and assembly.
- 10 (ii) Site preparation and improvement.
- 11 (iii) Infrastructure improvements that directly benefit the
- 12 site, including, but not limited to, transportation infrastructure,
- 13 water and wastewater infrastructure, and utilities necessary to
- 14 service the site.
- 15 (iv) Any demolition, construction, alteration, rehabilitation,
- 16 or improvement of buildings on the site.
- 17 (v) Environmental remediation.
- 18 (vi) Architectural, engineering, surveying, and similar
- 19 professional fees.
- 20 (c) (b) "Eligible applicant" means an applicant that is 1 or
- 21 more of the following:
- 22 (i) A political subdivision of this state, including, but not
- 23 limited to, a county, city, village, township, charter township, or
- 24 instrumentality of a county, city, village, township, or charter
- 25 township.
- 26 (ii) A local economic development corporation or similar
- 27 entity.
- 28 (iii) A person who is the owner of the site for which the
- 29 improvements are proposed, but who is not the end user of that

1 site,  $\frac{\text{provided that}}{\text{if}}$  that person  $\frac{\text{must apply}}{\text{applies}}$  jointly with

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- 2 an applicant under subparagraph (i) or (ii).
- 3 (iv) In the case of an application for a site for which a
- 4 specific person has been identified as the end user, the person
- 5 that is or will be the end user of that site.
- 6 (d) (c) "End user" means the person, either directly or
- 7 through an affiliate, that will establish and operate the
- 8 manufacturing or other commercial enterprise that constitutes the
- 9 end use of the improved site.
- 10 (e)  $\frac{(d)}{(d)}$  "Mega-strategic site" means a strategic site that is
- 11 or will be used for a large industrial project.
- 12 (f) (e)—"Michigan strategic site readiness program" or
- 13 "program" means the Michigan strategic site readiness program
- 14 created in under subsection (1).
- (g) (f) "Qualified job" means a job performed by an individual
- 16 who is a resident of this state whose Michigan income taxes are
- 17 withheld by an employer, or an employee leasing company or
- 18 professional employer organization on behalf of the employer, or by
- 19 an individual who is not a resident of this state and is employed
- 20 by a business at a project location that is located in this state,
- 21 as determined and verified by the fund.
- 22 (h) (g) "Strategic site" means a site, whether publicly or
- 23 privately owned, that is, or subsequent to a proposed acquisition
- 24 will be, used for manufacturing or other commercial use.
- 25 (i) "Written agreement" means a written agreement entered into
- 26 by the fund with an eligible applicant under subsection (4).