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Senate Bill 27 (as passed by the Senate)
Sponsor: Senator Veronica Klinefelt
Committee: Economic and Community Development

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RATIONALE

Generally, procurement technical assistance centers (PTACs) provide small businesses with no-cost advising on all aspects of government contracting, including selling to Federal, state, and local governments and fulfilling contracts. The United States Department of Defense (DoD) partially funds PTACs. In December 2022, the DoD and the Small Business Administration signed a memorandum of understanding that, among other things, changed the name of PTACs to APEX Accelerators.¹ Accordingly, it has been suggested that Michigan law be updated to include the new name.

CONTENT

The bill would amend Public Act (PA) 317 of 2006, which establishes certain entities in the Michigan Strategic Fund, to update references of PTACs to APEX Accelerators.

MCL 125.1972

PREVIOUS LEGISLATION

(This section does not provide a comprehensive account of previous legislative efforts on this subject matter.)

The bill is a reintroduction of Senate Bill 481 from the 2023-2024 Legislative Session. Senate Bill 481 passed the Senate and was reported by the House Committee on Economic Development and Small Business but received no further action.

ARGUMENTS

(Please note: The arguments contained in this analysis originate from sources outside the Senate Fiscal Agency. The Senate Fiscal Agency neither supports nor opposes legislation.)

Supporting Argument

The bill would update the language in PA 317 to align with the Federal name change. Standardizing the name would reduce potential confusion, allowing more businesses to take advantage of the 11 Apex Accelerators serving Michigan.²

Legislative Analyst: Abby Schneider

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

Fiscal Analyst: Cory Savino, PhD

¹ Ellis, Stephanie, "Goodbye PTAC, Hello APEX Accelerators", *SmallGovCon*, Koprince McCall Pottroff LLC, December 12, 2022.

² For a map of these locations and for more information, see <https://www.apexaccelerators.us/>.