HOUSE BILL NO. 4753

July 29, 2025, Introduced by Reps. Schriver, Maddock, Fox, Cavitt, Markkanen and Carra and referred to Committee on Government Operations.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 453, entitled "Elliott-Larsen civil rights act,"

by amending sections 201 and 202 (MCL 37.2201 and 37.2202), as amended by 2023 PA 31.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 201. As used in this article:
- 2 (a) "Employer" means a person that has 1 or more employees,
- 3 and includes an agent of that person.
- 4 (b) "Employment agency" means a person regularly undertaking

- 1 with or without compensation to procure, refer, recruit, or place
- 2 an employee for an employer or to procure, refer, recruit, or place
- 3 for an employer or person the opportunity to work for an employer
- 4 and includes an agent of that person.
- 5 (c) "Labor organization" includes:
- 6 (i) An organization of any kind, or an agency or employee
- 7 representation committee, group, association, or plan, in which
- 8 employees participate and that exists for the purpose, in whole or
- 9 in part, of dealing with employers concerning grievances, labor
- 10 disputes, wages, rates of pay, hours, or other terms or conditions
- 11 of employment.
- 12 (ii) A conference, general committee, joint or system board, or
- 13 joint council that is subordinate to a national or international
- 14 labor organization.
- 15 (iii) An agent of a labor organization.
- 16 (d) "Sex" includes, but is not limited to, pregnancy,
- 17 childbirth, the termination of a pregnancy, or a related medical
- 18 condition related to pregnancy or childbirth that does not include
- 19 nontherapeutic abortion not intended to save the life of the
- 20 mother.
- 21 Sec. 202. (1) An employer shall not do any of the following:
- 22 (a) Fail or refuse to hire or recruit, discharge, or otherwise
- 23 discriminate against an individual with respect to employment,
- 24 compensation, or a term, condition, or privilege of employment,
- 25 because of religion, race, color, national origin, age, sex, sexual
- 26 orientation, gender identity or expression, height, weight, or
- 27 marital status.
- 28 (b) Limit, segregate, or classify an employee or applicant for
- 29 employment in a way that deprives or tends to deprive the employee

- 1 or applicant of an employment opportunity or otherwise adversely
- 2 affects the status of the employee or applicant because of
- 3 religion, race, color, national origin, age, sex, sexual
- 4 orientation, gender identity or expression, height, weight, or
- 5 marital status.
- 6 (c) Segregate, classify, or otherwise discriminate against an
- 7 individual on the basis of sex with respect to a term, condition,
- 8 or privilege of employment, including, but not limited to, a
- 9 benefit plan or system.
- 10 (d) Treat an individual affected by pregnancy, childbirth, the
- 11 termination of a pregnancy, or a related medical condition
- 12 differently for any employment-related purpose from another
- 13 individual who is not so affected but similar in ability or
- 14 inability to work, without regard to the source of any condition
- 15 affecting the other individual's ability or inability to work. For
- 16 purposes of this subdivision, a medical condition related to
- 17 pregnancy or childbirth does not include nontherapeutic abortion
- 18 not intended to save the life of the mother.
- 19 (2) This section does not prohibit the establishment or
- 20 implementation of a bona fide retirement policy or system that is
- 21 not a subterfuge to evade the purposes of this section.
- 22 (3) This section does not apply to the employment of an
- 23 individual by the individual's parent, spouse, or child.