

# HOUSE BILL NO. 5582

March 14, 2024, Introduced by Reps. Morgan, Rheingans, Coffia, Dievendorf, Arbit, Brenda Carter, Hope, Andrews, Hood, Wegela, Brixie, Paiz, Wilson, MacDonell, Conlin, McKinney, Brabec, Byrnes, Tsernoglou, Young, Mentzer, Churches, Bierlein, Koleszar, Price and Aiyash and referred to the Committee on Ethics and Oversight.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 388, entitled  
"Michigan campaign finance act,"  
by amending sections 5 and 7 (MCL 169.205 and 169.207), section 5  
as amended by 2019 PA 93 and section 7 as amended by 2001 PA 250.

## **THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1           Sec. 5. (1) "Domestic dependent sovereign" means an Indian  
2 tribe that has been acknowledged, recognized, restored, or  
3 reaffirmed as an Indian tribe by the secretary of the interior  
4 pursuant to **the Indian reorganization act**, 25 USC 5101 to 5144,

1 ~~commonly referred to as the Indian reorganization act,~~ or has  
2 otherwise been acknowledged by the United States government as an  
3 Indian tribe.

4 (2) "Election" means a primary, general, special, or millage  
5 election held in this state or a convention or caucus of a  
6 political party held in this state to nominate a candidate.  
7 Election includes a recall vote.

8 (3) "Election cycle" means 1 of the following:

9 (a) For a general election, the period beginning the day  
10 following the last general election in which the office appeared on  
11 the ballot and ending on the day of the general election in which  
12 the office next appears on the ballot.

13 (b) For a special election, the period beginning the day a  
14 special general election is called or the date the office becomes  
15 vacant, whichever is earlier, and ending on the day of the special  
16 general election.

17 (4) **"Elected official" means an individual who holds a state**  
18 **elective office.**

19 (5) ~~(4)~~—"Elective office" means a public office filled by an  
20 election. An individual who is appointed to fill a vacancy in a  
21 public office that is ordinarily elective holds an elective office.  
22 Elective office does not include the office of precinct delegate.  
23 Except for the purposes of sections 47, 54, and 55, elective office  
24 does not include a school board member in a school district that  
25 has a pupil membership of 2,400 or less enrolled on the most recent  
26 pupil membership count day. However, elective office includes a  
27 school board member in a school district that has a pupil  
28 membership of 2,400 or less, if a candidate committee of a  
29 candidate for the office of school board member in that school

1 district receives an amount in excess of \$1,000.00 or expends an  
2 amount in excess of \$1,000.00. Elective office does not include a  
3 federal office except for the purposes of section 57.

4 Sec. 7. (1) "Filed" means the receipt by the appropriate  
5 filing official of a statement or report required to be filed under  
6 this act.

7 (2) "Filer" means a person required to file a statement or  
8 report under this act.

9 (3) "Filing official" means the official designated under this  
10 act to receive required statements and reports.

11 (4) "501(c)(4) organization" means a an organization that  
12 claims tax-exempt status under section 501(c)(4) of the internal  
13 revenue code, 26 USC 501, if that organization employs, has a board  
14 member who is, or is controlled or directed by, any of the  
15 following:

16 (a) A candidate for state elective office.

17 (b) An elected official.

18 (c) An appointed official for state elective office.

19 (d) Any employee, contract employee, or staff member of any of  
20 the following:

21 (i) An elected official.

22 (ii) A candidate for a state elective office.

23 (iii) An appointed official for a state elective office.

24 (e) Any family member of an elected official, candidate for a  
25 state elective office, or appointed official for a state elective  
26 office. As used in this subdivision, "family member" means any of  
27 the following:

28 (i) A spouse or ex-spouse.

29 (ii) A child, stepchild, grandchild, parent, sibling, niece, or

1 nephew.

2 (iii) The spouse of a child, stepchild, grandchild, parent,  
3 sibling, niece, or nephew.

4 (5) "527 organization" means an organization that claims tax-  
5 exempt status under section 527 of the internal revenue code, 26  
6 USC 527, if that organization employs, has a board member who is,  
7 or is controlled or directed by, any of the following:

8 (a) A candidate for state elective office.

9 (b) An elected official.

10 (c) An appointed official for a state elective office.

11 (d) Any employee, contract employee, or staff member of any of  
12 the following:

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22 nephew.

23 (iii) The spouse of a child, stepchild, grandchild, parent,  
24 sibling, niece, or nephew.

25 (6) ~~(4)~~—"Fund raising event" means an event such as a dinner,  
26 reception, testimonial, rally, auction, or similar affair through  
27 which contributions are solicited or received by purchase of a  
28 ticket, payment of an attendance fee, making a donation, or  
29 purchase of goods or services.

1           (7) ~~(5)~~—"Gift" means a payment, subscription, advance,  
2 forbearance, rendering, or deposit of money, services, or anything  
3 of value, unless consideration of equal or greater value is given  
4 in exchange.

5           (8) ~~(6)~~—"Honorarium" means a payment of money to a person  
6 holding elective office as consideration for an appearance, a  
7 speech, an article, or any activity related to or associated with  
8 the performance of duties as an elected official. An honorarium  
9 does not include any of the following:

10           (a) Reimbursement for the cost of transportation,  
11 accommodations, or meals for the person.

12           (b) Wages, salaries, other employee compensation, and expenses  
13 authorized to be paid by this state or a political subdivision of  
14 this state to the person holding elective office.

15           (c) An award.

16           Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect January  
17 1, 2026.

18           Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect  
19 unless Senate Bill No. \_\_\_\_\_ or House Bill No. 5580 (request no.  
20 00458'23 \*) of the 102nd Legislature is enacted into law.