## **HOUSE BILL NO. 5245**

November 06, 2025, Introduced by Reps. Meerman, Kelly, Borton, Thompson, Johnsen, Frisbie and Rigas and referred to Committee on Government Operations.

A bill to prohibit certain state officers from obtaining employment with certain persons for a designated time after leaving public office; and to provide penalties.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Sec. 1. This act may be cited as the "state officers public
  trust guarantee act".
- 3 Sec. 3. (1) Beginning January 1, 2026, a state officer, for
- 4 not less than 2 years after leaving public office, shall not accept
- 5 employment with or provide services for compensation for a person

- 1 if the state officer, in conducting the state officer's official
- 2 duties, entered into a contract with that person through a request
- 3 for proposal or otherwise issued payment to that person for
- 4 services procured by the department that the state officer was
- 5 appointed to.
- 6 (2) An individual who violates this act is guilty of a
- 7 misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 90 days, a
- 8 fine of not more than \$1,000.00, or both.
- **9** (3) As used in this section:
- 10 (a) "Person" means an individual or a partnership,
- 11 corporation, limited liability company, association, governmental
- 12 entity, or other legal entity.
- 13 (b) "State officer" means an individual appointed by the
- 14 governor or another executive department official.