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Representatives,

Today, I return House Bills 4494 and 4495 to you without my signature. If enacted into law, the bills would decrease consumer safety protections.

Licensure at its core is designed to protect Michiganders, and ready access to information about licensed professionals allows members of the public to protect themselves from unscrupulous actors. When it comes to licensure, transparency is the key to public safety.

Enrolled House Bills 4494 and 4495 would prohibit the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs from furnishing any list of information that contains a phone number or email address of a licensee or registrant. This change would deprive members of the public of information they may need to make an informed choice about whether to work with a particular licensed professional.

Respectfully,

Gretchen Whitmer  
Governor