SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 5746

A bill to enact the uniform securities act (2002) relating to the issuance, offer, sale, or purchase of securities; to prohibit fraudulent practices in relation to securities; to establish civil and criminal sanctions for violations of the act and civil sanctions for violation of the rules promulgated pursuant to the act; to require the registration of broker-dealers, agents, investment advisers, and securities; to make uniform the law with reference to securities; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1	ARTICLE 1
2	GENERAL PROVISIONS
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4	Sec. 101. This act shall be known and may be cited as the
5	"uniform securities act (2002)"

- 1 Sec. 102. As used in this act, unless the context otherwise
- 2 requires:
- 3 (a) "Administrator" means the office of financial and
- 4 insurance services of the department of labor and economic
- 5 growth.
- 6 (b) "Agent" means an individual other than a broker-dealer
- 7 who represents a broker-dealer in effecting or attempting to
- 8 effect purchases or sales of securities or represents an issuer
- 9 in effecting or attempting to effect purchases or sales of the
- 10 issuer's securities. The term does not include a partner,
- 11 officer, or director of a broker-dealer or issuer, or an
- 12 individual having a similar status or performing similar
- 13 functions, unless the individual otherwise comes within the
- 14 term. The term does not include an individual excluded by rule
- 15 or order under this act. The term does not include a person
- 16 acting solely as a finder and registered as a broker-dealer under
- 17 this act or acting as a finder in a transaction exempt under
- **18** section 202(1)(r).
- 19 (c) "Bank" means any of the following:
- 20 (i) A banking institution organized under the laws of the
- 21 United States.
- 22 (ii) A member bank of the federal reserve system.
- 23 (iii) Any other banking institution that meets all of the
- 24 following:
- 25 (A) It is doing business under the laws of a state or of the
- 26 United States.
- 27 (B) A substantial portion of its business consists of

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- 1 receiving deposits or exercising fiduciary powers similar to
- 2 those permitted to be exercised by national banks under the
- **3** authority of the comptroller of the currency pursuant to section
- 4 1 of Public Law 87-722, 12 USC 92a.
- 5 (C) It is supervised and examined by a state or federal
- 6 agency having supervision over banks.
- 7 (D) It is not operated for the purpose of evading this act.
- 8 (iv) A receiver, conservator, or other liquidating agent of
- ${f 9}$ any institution or firm included in subparagraph (i) , (ii) , or
- **10** (*iii*).
- 11 (d) "Broker-dealer" means a person engaged in the business of
- 12 effecting transactions in securities for the account of others or
- 13 for the person's own account. The term does not include any of
- 14 the following:
- 15 (i) An agent.
- 16 (ii) An issuer.
- (iii) [Beginning on the effective date of this act and until December 31, 2006, a] depository institution.
 - [(iv)] Beginning January 1, 2007, a bank, trust company organized or chartered under the laws of this state, or savings institution if its activities as a broker-dealer are limited to those specified in section 3(a)(4)(B)(i) through (vi), (viii) through (x), and (xi) if limited to unsolicited transactions; 3(a)(5)(B); and 3(a)(5)(C) of the securities exchange act of 1934, 15 USC 78c, or a bank that satisfies the conditions described in section 3(a)(4)(E) of the securities exchange act of 1934, 15 USC 78c.
- 18 (v)] An international banking institution.
- 19 [(vi)] A person excluded by rule or order under this act.
- 20 (e) "Depository institution" means a bank; or a savings
- 21 institution, trust company, credit union, or similar institution
- 22 that is organized or chartered under the laws of a state or of
- 23 the United States, authorized to receive deposits, and supervised
- 24 and examined by an official or agency of a state or the United
- 25 States if its deposits or share accounts are insured by the
- 26 federal deposit insurance corporation, the national credit union
- 27 share insurance fund, or a successor authorized by federal law.

- 1 The term does not include any of the following:
- (i) An insurance company or other organization primarily
- 3 engaged in the business of insurance.
- 4 (ii) A Morris Plan bank.
- 5 (iii) An industrial loan company.
- 6 (f) "Federal covered investment adviser" means a person
- 7 registered under the investment advisers act of 1940.
- 8 (g) "Federal covered security" means a security that is, or
- 9 upon completion of a transaction will be, a covered security
- 10 under section 18(b) of the securities act of 1933, 15 USC 77r, or
- 11 rules or regulations adopted under that provision.
- (h) "Filing" means the receipt under this act of a record by
- 13 the administrator or a designee of the administrator.
- 14 (i) "Finder" means a person who, for consideration,
- 15 participates in the offer to sell, sale, or purchase of
- 16 securities by locating, introducing, or referring potential
- 17 purchasers or sellers. Finder does not include a person whose
- 18 actions are solely incidental to a transaction exempt pursuant to
- 19 section 202(1)(r). The administrator may by rule or order
- 20 exclude other persons from this definition.
- 21 (j) "Fraud," "deceit," and "defraud" include, but are not
- 22 limited to, common law deceit.
- (k) "Guaranteed" means guaranteed as to payment of all
- 24 principal and all interest.
- 25 Sec. 102a. As used in this act, unless the context otherwise
- 26 requires:
- 27 (a) "Institutional investor" means any of the following,

- 1 whether acting for itself or for others in a fiduciary capacity:
- $\mathbf{2}$ (i) A depository institution or international banking
- 3 institution.
- $\mathbf{4}$ (ii) An insurance company.
- 5 (iii) A separate account of an insurance company.
- 6 (iv) An investment company as defined in the investment
- 7 company act of 1940.
- 8 (v) A broker-dealer registered under the securities exchange
- 9 act of 1934.
- 10 (vi) An employee pension, profit-sharing, or benefit plan if
- 11 the plan has total assets in excess of \$10,000,000.00 or its
- 12 investment decisions are made by a named fiduciary, as defined in
- 13 the employee retirement income security act of 1974, that is a
- 14 broker-dealer registered under the securities exchange act of
- 15 1934, an investment adviser registered or exempt from
- 16 registration under the investment advisers act of 1940, an
- 17 investment adviser registered under this act, a depository
- 18 institution, or an insurance company.
- 19 (vii) A plan established and maintained by a state, a
- 20 political subdivision of a state, or an agency or instrumentality
- 21 of a state or a political subdivision of a state for the benefit
- 22 of its employees, if the plan has total assets in excess of
- 23 \$10,000,000.00 or its investment decisions are made by a duly
- 24 designated public official or by a named fiduciary, as defined in
- 25 the employee retirement income security act of 1974, that is a
- 26 broker-dealer registered under the securities exchange act of
- 27 1934, an investment adviser registered or exempt from

- 1 registration under the investment advisers act of 1940, an
- 2 investment adviser registered under this act, a depository
- 3 institution, or an insurance company.
- 4 (viii) A trust, if it has total assets in excess of
- 5 \$10,000,000.00, its trustee is a depository institution, and its
- 6 participants are exclusively plans of the types identified in
- 7 subparagraph (vi) or (vii), regardless of size of their assets,
- 8 except a trust that includes as participants self-directed
- 9 individual retirement accounts or similar self-directed plans.
- 10 (ix) An organization described in section 501(c)(3) of the
- 11 internal revenue code, 26 USC 501, a corporation, Massachusetts
- 12 or similar business trust, limited liability company, or
- 13 partnership, not formed for the specific purpose of acquiring the
- 14 securities offered, with total assets in excess of
- **15** \$10,000,000.00.
- 16 (x) A small business investment company licensed by the small
- 17 business administration under section 301(c) of part A of title
- 18 III of the small business investment act of 1958, 15 USC 681,
- **19** with total assets in excess of \$10,000,000.00.
- (xi) A private business development company as defined in
- 21 section 202(a)(22) of the investment advisers act of 1940, 15 USC
- 22 80b-2, with total assets in excess of \$10,000,000.00.
- 23 (xii) A federal covered investment adviser acting for its own
- 24 account.
- 25 (xiii) A "qualified institutional buyer" as defined in rule
- 26 144A(a)(1), other than rule 144A(a)(1)(i)(H), adopted under the
- 27 securities act of 1933, 17 CFR 230.144A.

- 1 (xiv) A "major U.S. institutional investor" as defined in
- 2 rule 15a-6(b)(4)(i) adopted under the securities exchange act of
- **3** 1934, 17 CFR 240.15a-6(b)(4)(i).
- 4 (xv) Any other person, other than an individual, of
- 5 institutional character with total assets in excess of
- 6 \$10,000,000.00 not organized for the specific purpose of evading
- 7 this act.
- 8 (xvi) Any other person specified by rule or order under this
- **9** act.
- 10 (b) "Insurance company" means a company organized as an
- 11 insurance company whose primary business is writing insurance or
- 12 reinsuring risks underwritten by insurance companies and which is
- 13 subject to supervision by the insurance commissioner or a similar
- 14 official or agency of a state.
- (c) "Insured" means insured as to payment of all principal
- 16 and all interest.
- 17 (d) "International banking institution" means an
- 18 international financial institution of which the United States is
- 19 a member and whose securities are exempt from registration under
- 20 the securities act of 1933.
- 21 (e) "Investment adviser" means a person that, for
- 22 compensation, engages in the business of advising others, either
- 23 directly or through publications or writings, as to the value of
- 24 securities or the advisability of investing in, purchasing, or
- 25 selling securities or that, for compensation and as a part of a
- 26 regular business, issues or promulgates analyses or reports
- 27 concerning securities. The term includes a financial planner or

- 1 other person that, as an integral component of other financially
- 2 related services, provides investment advice to others for
- 3 compensation as part of a business or that holds itself out as
- 4 providing investment advice to others for compensation. The term
- 5 does not include any of the following:
- 6 (i) An investment adviser representative.
- 7 (ii) A lawyer, accountant, engineer, or teacher whose
- 8 performance of investment advice is solely incidental to the
- 9 practice of the person's profession.
- 10 (iii) A broker-dealer or its agents whose performance of
- 11 investment advice is solely incidental to the conduct of business
- 12 as a broker-dealer and that does not receive special compensation
- 13 for the investment advice.
- (iv) A publisher of a bona fide newspaper, news magazine, or
- 15 business or financial publication of general and regular
- 16 circulation.
- 17 (v) A federal covered investment adviser.
- 18 (vi) A depository institution.
- 19 (vii) Any other person that is excluded by the investment
- 20 advisers act of 1940 from the definition of investment adviser.
- 21 (viii) Any other person excluded by rule or order under this
- 22 act.
- (ix) A finder registered as a broker-dealer under this act.
- 24 (f) "Investment adviser representative" means an individual
- 25 employed by or associated with an investment adviser or federal
- 26 covered investment adviser and who makes any recommendations or
- 27 otherwise gives investment advice regarding securities, manages

- 1 accounts or portfolios of clients, determines which
- 2 recommendation or advice regarding securities should be given,
- 3 provides investment advice or holds himself or herself out as
- 4 providing investment advice, receives compensation to solicit,
- 5 offer, or negotiate for the sale of or for selling investment
- 6 advice, or supervises employees who perform any of the
- 7 foregoing. The term does not include an individual who meets any
- 8 of the following:
- 9 (i) Performs only clerical or ministerial acts.
- 10 (ii) Is an agent whose performance of investment advice is
- 11 solely incidental to the individual acting as an agent and does
- 12 not receive special compensation for investment advisory
- 13 services.
- 14 (iii) Is employed by or associated with a federal covered
- 15 investment adviser, unless the individual meets any of the
- 16 following:
- 17 (A) Has a "place of business" in this state as that term is
- 18 defined by rule adopted under section 203A of the investment
- 19 advisers act of 1940, 15 USC 80b-3a, and is an "investment
- 20 adviser representative" as that term is defined by rule adopted
- 21 under section 203A of the investment advisers act of 1940, 15 USC
- 22 80b-3a.
- 23 (B) Has a "place of business" in this state as that term is
- 24 defined by rule adopted under section 203A of the investment
- 25 advisers act of 1940, 15 USC 80b-3a, and is not a "supervised
- 26 person" as that term is defined in section 202(a)(25) of the
- 27 investment advisers act of 1940, 15 USC 80b-2.

- 1 (iv) Is excluded by rule or order under this act.
- 2 (g) "Issuer" means a person that issues or proposes to issue
- 3 a security, subject to the following:
- 4 (i) The issuer of a voting trust certificate, collateral
- 5 trust certificate, certificate of deposit for a security, or
- 6 share in an investment company without a board of directors or
- 7 individuals performing similar functions, is the person
- 8 performing the acts and assuming the duties of depositor or
- 9 manager pursuant to the trust or other agreement or instrument
- 10 under which the security is issued.
- 11 (ii) The issuer of an equipment trust certificate or similar
- 12 security serving the same purpose is the person by which the
- 13 property is or will be used, or to which the property or
- 14 equipment is or will be leased or conditionally sold, or that is
- 15 otherwise contractually responsible for assuring payment of the
- 16 certificate.
- 17 (iii) The issuer of a fractional undivided interest in an
- 18 oil, gas, or other mineral lease or in payments out of production
- 19 under a lease, right, or royalty is the owner of an interest in
- 20 the lease or in payments out of production under a lease, right,
- 21 or royalty, whether whole or fractional, that creates fractional
- 22 interests for the purpose of sale.
- 23 Sec. 102b. As used in this act, unless the context otherwise
- 24 requires:
- 25 (a) "Nonissuer transaction" or "nonissuer distribution" means
- 26 a transaction or distribution not directly or indirectly for the
- 27 benefit of the issuer.

- 1 (b) "Offer to purchase" includes an attempt or offer to
- 2 obtain, or solicitation of an offer to sell, a security or
- 3 interest in a security for value. The term does not include a
- 4 tender offer that is subject to section 14(d) of title I of the
- 5 securities exchange act of 1934, 15 USC 78n.
- 6 (c) "Person" means an individual, corporation, business
- 7 trust, estate, trust, partnership, limited liability company,
- 8 limited liability partnership, association, joint venture, or
- 9 government; a governmental subdivision, agency, or
- 10 instrumentality; a public corporation; or any other legal or
- 11 commercial entity.
- (d) "Place of business" of a broker-dealer, an investment
- 13 adviser, or a federal covered investment adviser means any of the
- 14 following:
- 15 (i) An office at which the broker-dealer, investment adviser,
- 16 or federal covered investment adviser regularly provides
- 17 brokerage or investment advice, or solicits, meets with, or
- 18 otherwise communicates with customers or clients.
- 19 (ii) Any other location that is held out to the general
- 20 public as a location at which the broker-dealer, investment
- 21 adviser, or federal covered investment adviser provides brokerage
- 22 or investment advice, or solicits, meets with, or otherwise
- 23 communicates with customers or clients.
- (e) "Predecessor act" means former 1964 PA 265.
- (f) "Price amendment" means the amendment to a registration
- 26 statement filed under the securities act of 1933 or, if an
- 27 amendment is not filed, the prospectus or prospectus supplement

- 1 filed under the securities act of 1933 that includes a statement
- 2 of the offering price, underwriting and selling discounts or
- 3 commissions, amount of proceeds, conversion rates, call prices,
- 4 and other matters dependent upon the offering price.
- 5 (g) "Principal place of business" of a broker-dealer or an
- 6 investment adviser means the executive office of the
- 7 broker-dealer or investment adviser from which the officers,
- 8 partners, or managers of the broker-dealer or investment adviser
- 9 direct, control, and coordinate the activities of the
- 10 broker-dealer or investment adviser.
- 11 (h) "Record," except in the phrases "of record," "official
- 12 record, " and "public record, " means information that is inscribed
- 13 on a tangible medium or that is stored in an electronic or other
- 14 medium and is retrievable in perceivable form.
- 15 Sec. 102c. As used in this act, unless the context otherwise
- 16 requires:
- 17 (a) "Sale" includes every contract of sale, contract to sell,
- 18 or disposition of, a security or interest in a security for
- 19 value, and "offer to sell" includes every attempt or offer to
- 20 dispose of, or solicitation of an offer to purchase, a security
- 21 or interest in a security for value. Both terms include any of
- 22 the following:
- 23 (i) A security given or delivered with, or as a bonus on
- 24 account of, any purchase of securities or any other thing
- 25 constituting part of the subject of the purchase and having been
- 26 offered and sold for value.
- (ii) A gift of assessable stock involving an offer and sale.

- 1 (iii) A sale or offer of a warrant or right to purchase or
- 2 subscribe to another security of the same or another issuer, and
- 3 a sale or offer of a security that gives the holder a present or
- 4 future right or privilege to convert the security into another
- 5 security of the same or another issuer, including an offer of the
- 6 other security.
- 7 (b) "Securities and exchange commission" means the United
- 8 States securities and exchange commission.
- 9 (c) "Security" means a note; stock; treasury stock; security
- 10 future; bond; debenture; evidence of indebtedness; certificate of
- 11 interest or participation in a profit-sharing agreement;
- 12 collateral trust certificate; preorganization certificate or
- 13 subscription; transferable share; investment contract; voting
- 14 trust certificate; certificate of deposit for a security;
- 15 fractional undivided interest in oil, gas, or other mineral
- 16 rights; put, call, straddle, option, or privilege on a security,
- 17 certificate of deposit, or group or index of securities,
- 18 including an interest in or based on the value of that put, call,
- 19 straddle, option, or privilege on that security, certificate of
- 20 deposit, or group or index of securities; put, call, straddle,
- 21 option, or privilege entered into on a national securities
- 22 exchange relating to foreign currency; an investment in a
- 23 viatical or life settlement agreement; or, in general, an
- 24 interest or instrument commonly known as a "security"; or a
- 25 certificate of interest or participation in, temporary or interim
- 26 certificate for, receipt for, guarantee of, or warrant or right
- 27 to subscribe to or purchase, any of the foregoing. All of the

- 1 following apply to the term security:
- 2 (i) The term includes a contractual or quasi-contractual
- 3 arrangement that meets all of the following:
- 4 (A) A person furnishes capital, other than services, to an
- 5 issuer under the arrangement.
- **6** (B) A portion of the capital furnished under sub-subparagraph
- 7 (A) is subjected to the risks of the issuer's enterprise.
- 8 (C) The furnishing of capital under sub-subparagraph (A) is
- 9 induced by representations made by an issuer, promoter, or the
- 10 issuer's or promoter's affiliates which give rise to a reasonable
- 11 understanding that a valuable tangible benefit will accrue to the
- 12 person furnishing the capital as a result of the operation of the
- 13 enterprise.
- 14 (D) The person furnishing the capital under sub-subparagraph
- 15 (A) does not intend to be actively involved in the management of
- 16 the enterprise in a meaningful way.
- 17 (E) At the time the capital is furnished, a promoter or its
- 18 affiliates anticipate that financial gain may be realized as a
- 19 result of the furnishing.
- 20 (ii) The term includes both a certificated and an
- 21 uncertificated security.
- 22 (iii) The term does not include an insurance or endowment
- 23 policy or annuity contract under which an insurance company
- 24 promises to pay a fixed or variable sum of money either in a lump
- 25 sum or periodically for life or other specified period.
- (iv) The term does not include an interest in a contributory
- 27 or noncontributory pension or welfare plan subject to the

- 1 employee retirement income security act of 1974.
- 2 (v) The term includes an investment in a common enterprise
- 3 with the expectation of profits to be derived primarily from the
- 4 efforts of a person other than the investor. As used in this
- 5 subparagraph, a "common enterprise" means an enterprise in which
- 6 the fortunes of the investor are interwoven with those of either
- 7 the person offering the investment, a third party, or other
- 8 investors.
- $\mathbf{9}$ (vi) The term may include, as an investment contract, an
- 10 interest in a limited partnership, a limited liability company,
- 11 or a limited liability partnership.
- 12 (d) "Self-regulatory organization" means a national
- 13 securities exchange registered under the securities exchange act
- 14 of 1934, a national securities association of broker-dealers
- 15 registered under the securities exchange act of 1934, a clearing
- 16 agency registered under the securities exchange act of 1934, or
- 17 the municipal securities rule-making board established under the
- 18 securities exchange act of 1934.
- 19 (e) "Sign" means, with present intent to authenticate or
- 20 adopt a record, either of the following:
- 21 (i) To execute or adopt a tangible symbol.
- 22 (ii) To attach or logically associate with the record an
- 23 electronic symbol, sound, or process.
- 24 (f) "State" means a state of the United States, the District
- 25 of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the United States
- 26 Virgin Islands, or any territory or insular possession subject to
- 27 the jurisdiction of the United States.

- 1 Sec. 103. (1) Subject to subsection (2), as used in this
- **2** act:
- 3 (a) "Commodity exchange act" means the commodity exchange
- 4 act, 7 USC 1 to 25.
- 5 (b) "Electronic signatures in global and national commerce
- 6 act" means the electronic signatures in global and national
- 7 commerce act, Public Law 106-229, 114 Stat. 464.
- 8 (c) "Employee retirement income security act of 1974" means
- 9 the employee retirement income security act of 1974, Public Law
- **10** 93-406, 88 Stat. 829.
- 11 (d) "Internal revenue code" means the United States internal
- 12 revenue code of 1986.
- 13 (e) "Investment advisers act of 1940" means the investment
- 14 advisers act of 1940, 15 USC 80b-1 to 80b-21.
- 15 (f) "Investment company act of 1940" means the investment
- 16 company act of 1940, 15 USC 80a-1 to 80a-64.
- 17 (g) "National housing act" means the national housing act,
- 18 chapter 847, 48 Stat. 1246.
- 19 (h) "Public utility holding company act of 1935" means the
- 20 public utility holding company act of 1935, 15 USC 79 to 79z-6.
- 21 (i) "Securities act of 1933" means the securities act of
- 22 1933, 15 USC 77a to 77aa.
- 23 (j) "Securities exchange act of 1934" means the securities
- 24 exchange act of 1934, 15 USC 78a to 78mm.
- 25 (k) "Securities investor protection act of 1970" means the
- 26 securities investor protection act of 1970, Public Law 91-598, 84
- **27** Stat. 1636.

- 1 (1) "Securities litigation uniform standards act of 1998"
- f 2 means the securities litigation uniform standards act of 1998,
- 3 Public Law 105-353, 112 Stat. 3227.
- 4 (m) "Small business investment act of 1958" means the small
- 5 business investment act of 1958, Public Law 85-699, 72
- 6 Stat. 689.
- 7 (2) A reference in this act to a federal statute defined in
- 8 subsection (1) includes that statute and the rules and
- 9 regulations adopted under that statute. The administrator may,
- 10 by rule or order, adopt an amendment or successor to a federal
- 11 statute defined in subsection (1) or rules and regulations
- 12 adopted under a federal statute defined in subsection (1), a
- 13 federal statute that is similar to a federal statute defined in
- 14 subsection (1), or a rule or regulation that is similar to a rule
- 15 or regulation adopted under a federal statute defined in
- 16 subsection (1).
- 17 Sec. 104. Any reference in this act to an agency or
- 18 department of the United States is also a reference to any
- 19 successor agency, department, or entity of that agency or
- 20 department.
- 21 Sec. 105. This act modifies, limits, and supersedes the
- 22 electronic signatures in global and national commerce act, but
- 23 does not modify, limit, or supersede section 101(c) of that act,
- 24 15 USC 7001, or authorize electronic delivery of any of the
- 25 notices described in section 103(b) of that act, 15 USC 7003.
- 26 This act authorizes the filing of records and signatures, when
- 27 specified by provisions of this act or by a rule or order under

- 1 this act, in a manner consistent with section 104(a) of that act,
- 2 15 USC 7004.
- 3 ARTICLE 2
- 4 EXEMPTIONS FROM REGISTRATION OF SECURITIES
- 5 Sec. 201. The following securities are exempt from the
- 6 requirements of sections 301 to 306 and 504:
- 7 (a) A security, including a revenue obligation or a separate
- 8 security as defined in rule 131 adopted under the securities act
- 9 of 1933, 17 CFR 230.131, issued, insured, or guaranteed by the
- 10 United States; by a state; by a political subdivision of a state;
- 11 by a public authority, agency, or instrumentality of 1 or more
- 12 states; by a political subdivision of 1 or more states; or by a
- 13 person controlled or supervised by and acting as an
- 14 instrumentality of the United States under authority granted by
- 15 the Congress; or a certificate of deposit for any of the
- 16 foregoing.
- 17 (b) A security issued, insured, or guaranteed by a foreign
- 18 government with which the United States maintains diplomatic
- 19 relations, or any of its political subdivisions, if the security
- 20 is recognized as a valid obligation by the issuer, insurer, or
- 21 quarantor.
- (c) A security issued by and representing, or that will
- 23 represent an interest in or a direct obligation of, or be
- 24 guaranteed by, any of the following:
- 25 (i) An international banking institution.
- 26 (ii) A banking institution organized under the laws of the
- 27 United States; a member bank of the federal reserve system; or a

- 1 depository institution a substantial portion of the business of
- 2 which consists or will consist of either receiving deposits or
- 3 share accounts that are insured to the maximum amount authorized
- 4 by statute by the federal deposit insurance corporation, the
- 5 national credit union share insurance fund, or a successor
- 6 authorized by federal law or exercising fiduciary powers that are
- 7 similar to those permitted for national banks under the authority
- 8 of the comptroller of currency pursuant to section 1 of Public
- **9** Law 87-722, 12 USC 92a.
- 10 (iii) Any other depository institution, unless by rule or
- 11 order the administrator proceeds under section 204.
- 12 (d) A security issued by and representing an interest in, or
- 13 a debt of, or insured or guaranteed by, an insurance company
- 14 authorized to do business in this state.
- 15 (e) A security issued or guaranteed by a railroad, other
- 16 common carrier, public utility, or public utility holding company
- 17 that is any of the following:
- 18 (i) Regulated in respect to its rates and charges by the
- 19 United States or a state.
- 20 (ii) Regulated in respect to the issuance or guarantee of the
- 21 security by the United States, a state, Canada, or a Canadian
- 22 province or territory.
- 23 (iii) A public utility holding company registered under the
- 24 public utility holding company act of 1935 or a subsidiary of a
- 25 registered holding company within the meaning of that act.
- 26 (f) A federal covered security specified in section 18(b)(1)
- 27 of the securities act of 1933, 15 USC 77r, or a security listed

- 1 or approved for listing on another securities market specified by
- 2 rule under this act; a put or a call option contract; warrant; a
- 3 subscription right on or with respect to those securities; or an
- 4 option or similar derivative security on a security or an index
- 5 of securities or foreign currencies issued by a clearing agency
- 6 registered under the securities exchange act of 1934 and listed
- 7 or designated for trading on a national securities exchange, a
- 8 facility of a national securities exchange, or a facility of a
- 9 national securities association registered under the securities
- 10 exchange act of 1934 or an offer or sale, of the underlying
- 11 security in connection with the offer, sale, or exercise of an
- 12 option or other security that was exempt when the option or other
- 13 security was written or issued; or an option or a derivative
- 14 security designated by the securities and exchange commission
- 15 under section 9(b) of the securities exchange act of 1934, 15 USC
- **16** 78i.
- 17 (g) A security issued by a person organized and operated
- 18 exclusively for religious, educational, benevolent, fraternal,
- 19 charitable, social, athletic, or reformatory purposes, or as a
- 20 chamber of commerce, and not for pecuniary profit, no part of the
- 21 net earnings of which inures to the benefit of a private
- 22 stockholder or other person, or a security of a company that is
- 23 excluded from the definition of an investment company under
- 24 section 3(c)(10)(B) of the investment company act of 1940, 15 USC
- 25 80a-3. With respect to the offer or sale of a note, bond,
- 26 debenture, or other evidence of indebtedness by a person
- 27 described in this subdivision, the administrator by rule may

- 1 limit the availability of this exemption by classifying
- 2 securities, persons, and transactions, imposing different
- 3 requirements for different classes, specifying with respect to
- $\mathbf{4}$ subparagraph (ii) the scope of the exemption and the grounds for
- 5 denial or suspension, and requiring an issuer to meet 1 or more
- 6 of the following:
- 7 (i) To file a notice specifying the material terms of the
- 8 proposed offer or sale and copies of any proposed sales and
- 9 advertising literature to be used and provide that the exemption
- 10 becomes effective if the administrator does not disallow the
- 11 exemption within the period established by the rule.
- (ii) To file a request for exemption authorization for which
- 13 a rule under this act may specify the scope of the exemption; the
- 14 requirement of an offering statement; the filing of sales and
- 15 advertising literature; the filing of consent to service of
- 16 process complying with section 611; and grounds for denial or
- 17 suspension of the exemption.
- 18 (iii) To register under section 304.
- 19 (h) A member's or owner's interest in, or a retention
- 20 certificate or like security given in lieu of a cash patronage
- 21 dividend issued by, a cooperative organized and operated as a
- 22 nonprofit membership cooperative under the cooperative laws of a
- 23 state, but not a member's or owner's interest, retention
- 24 certificate, or like security sold to persons other than bona
- 25 fide members of the cooperative.
- (i) An equipment trust certificate in respect to equipment
- 27 leased or conditionally sold to a person, if any security issued

- 1 by the person would be exempt under this section or would be a
- 2 federal covered security under section 18(b)(1) of the securities
- 3 act of 1933, 15 USC 77r.
- 4 Sec. 202. (1) The following transactions are exempt from
- 5 the requirements of sections 301 to 306 and 504:
- 6 (a) An isolated nonissuer transaction, whether effected by or
- 7 through a broker-dealer or not.
- **8** (b) A nonissuer transaction by or through a broker-dealer
- 9 registered or exempt from registration under this act, and a
- 10 resale transaction by a sponsor of a unit investment trust
- 11 registered under the investment company act of 1940, in a
- 12 security of a class that has been outstanding in the hands of the
- 13 public for at least 90 days, if all of the following are met at
- 14 the date of the transaction:
- 15 (i) The issuer of the security is engaged in business, the
- 16 issuer is not in the organizational stage or in bankruptcy or
- 17 receivership, and the issuer is not a blank check, blind pool, or
- 18 shell company that has no specific business plan or purpose or
- 19 has indicated that its primary business plan is to engage in a
- 20 merger or combination of the business with, or an acquisition of,
- 21 an unidentified person.
- 22 (ii) The security is sold at a price reasonably related to
- 23 its current market price.
- 24 (iii) The security does not constitute the whole or part of
- 25 an unsold allotment to, or a subscription or participation by,
- 26 the broker-dealer as an underwriter of the security or a
- 27 redistribution.

- 1 (iv) A nationally recognized securities manual or its
- 2 electronic equivalent designated by rule or order under this act
- 3 or a record filed with the securities and exchange commission
- 4 that is publicly available contains all of the following:
- 5 (A) A description of the business and operations of the
- 6 issuer.
- 7 (B) The names of the issuer's executive officers and the
- 8 names of the issuer's directors, if any.
- 9 (C) An audited balance sheet of the issuer as of a date
- 10 within 18 months before the date of the transaction or, in the
- 11 case of a reorganization or merger, and when the parties to the
- 12 reorganization or merger each had an audited balance sheet, a pro
- 13 forma balance sheet for the combined entity.
- 14 (D) An audited income statement for each of the issuer's 2
- 15 immediately previous fiscal years or for the period of existence
- 16 of the issuer, whichever is shorter, or, in the case of a
- 17 reorganization or merger when each party to the reorganization or
- 18 merger had audited income statements, a pro forma income
- 19 statement.
- 20 (v) Any of the following requirements are met:
- 21 (A) The issuer of the security has a class of equity
- 22 securities listed on a national securities exchange registered
- 23 under section 6 of the securities exchange act of 1934, 15 USC
- 24 78f, or designated for trading on the national association of
- 25 securities dealers automated quotation system.
- 26 (B) The issuer of the security is a unit investment trust
- 27 registered under the investment company act of 1940.

- 1 (C) The issuer of the security, including its predecessors,
- 2 has been engaged in continuous business for at least 3 years.
- 3 (D) The issuer of the security has total assets of at least
- 4 \$2,000,000.00 based on an audited balance sheet as of a date
- 5 within 18 months before the date of the transaction or, in the
- 6 case of a reorganization or merger when the parties to the
- 7 reorganization or merger each had an audited balance sheet as of
- 8 a date within 18 months before the date of the transaction, a pro
- 9 forma balance sheet for the combined entity.
- 10 (c) A nonissuer transaction by or through a broker-dealer
- 11 registered or exempt from registration under this act in a
- 12 security of a foreign issuer that is a margin security defined in
- 13 regulations or rules adopted by the board of governors of the
- 14 federal reserve system.
- 15 (d) A nonissuer transaction by or through a broker-dealer
- 16 registered or exempt from registration under this act in an
- 17 outstanding security if the guarantor of the security files
- 18 reports with the securities and exchange commission under the
- 19 reporting requirements of section 13 or 15(d) of the securities
- 20 exchange act of 1934, 15 USC 78m or 78o.
- 21 (e) A nonissuer transaction by or through a broker-dealer
- 22 registered or exempt from registration under this act in a
- 23 security that meets 1 or more of the following:
- 24 (i) Is rated at the time of the transaction by a nationally
- 25 recognized statistical rating organization in 1 of its 4 highest
- 26 rating categories.
- 27 (ii) Has a fixed maturity or a fixed interest or dividend, if

- 1 both of the following are met:
- 2 (A) A default has not occurred during the current fiscal year
- 3 or within the 3 previous fiscal years or during the existence of
- $\mathbf{4}$ the issuer and any predecessor if less than 3 fiscal years, in
- 5 the payment of principal, interest, or dividends on the
- 6 security.
- 7 (B) The issuer is engaged in business, is not in the
- 8 organizational stage or in bankruptcy or receivership, and is not
- 9 and has not been within the previous 12 months a blank check,
- 10 blind pool, or shell company that has no specific business plan
- 11 or purpose or has indicated that its primary business plan is to
- 12 engage in a merger or combination of the business with, or an
- 13 acquisition of, an unidentified person.
- 14 (f) A nonissuer transaction by or through a broker-dealer
- 15 registered or exempt from registration under this act effecting
- 16 an unsolicited order or offer to purchase.
- 17 (g) A nonissuer transaction executed by a bona fide pledgee
- 18 without any purpose of evading this act.
- 19 (h) A nonissuer transaction by a federal covered investment
- 20 adviser with investments under management in excess of
- 21 \$100,000,000.00 acting in the exercise of discretionary authority
- 22 in a signed record for the account of others.
- 23 (i) A transaction in a security, whether or not the security
- 24 or transaction is otherwise exempt, in exchange for 1 or more
- 25 bona fide outstanding securities, claims, or property interests,
- 26 or partly in exchange and partly for cash, if the terms and
- 27 conditions of the issuance and exchange or the delivery and

- 1 exchange and the fairness of the terms and conditions have been
- 2 approved by the administrator at a hearing.
- 3 (j) A transaction between the issuer or other person on whose
- 4 behalf the offering is made and an underwriter, or among
- 5 underwriters.
- **6** (k) A transaction in a note, bond, debenture, or other
- 7 evidence of indebtedness secured by a mortgage or other security
- 8 agreement if all of the following are met:
- **9** (i) The note, bond, debenture, or other evidence of
- 10 indebtedness is offered and sold with the mortgage or other
- 11 security agreement as a unit.
- (ii) A general solicitation or general advertisement of the
- 13 transaction is not made.
- 14 (iii) A commission or other remuneration is not paid or
- 15 given, directly or indirectly, to a person not registered under
- 16 this act as a broker-dealer or as an agent.
- 17 (l) A transaction by an executor, administrator of an estate,
- 18 sheriff, marshal, receiver, trustee in bankruptcy, guardian, or
- 19 conservator.
- (m) A sale or offer to sell to any of the following:
- 21 (i) An institutional investor.
- 22 (ii) A federal covered investment adviser.
- (iii) Any other person exempted by rule or order under this
- 24 act.
- 25 (n) A sale or an offer to sell securities by or on behalf of
- 26 an issuer, if the transaction is part of a single issue in which
- 27 all of the following are met:

- 1 (i) There are not more than 25 purchasers in this state
- 2 during any 12 consecutive months, other than those designated in
- 3 subdivision (m).
- 4 (ii) There is no general solicitation or general advertising
- 5 used in connection with the offer to sell or sale of the
- 6 securities.
- 7 (iii) A commission or other remuneration is not paid or
- 8 given, directly or indirectly, to a person other than a
- 9 broker-dealer registered under this act or an agent registered
- 10 under this act for soliciting a prospective purchaser in this
- 11 state.
- (iv) The issuer reasonably believes that all the purchasers
- 13 in this state other than those designated in subdivision (m) are
- 14 purchasing for investment.
- 15 (o) A transaction under an offer to existing security holders
- 16 of the issuer, including persons that at the date of the
- 17 transaction are holders of convertible securities, options, or
- 18 warrants, if a commission or other remuneration, other than a
- 19 standby commission, is not paid or given, directly or indirectly,
- 20 for soliciting a security holder in this state.
- 21 (p) An offer to sell, but not a sale, of a security not
- 22 exempt from registration under the securities act of 1933 if both
- 23 of the following are met:
- 24 (i) A registration or offering statement or similar record as
- 25 required under the securities act of 1933 has been filed, but is
- 26 not effective, or the offer is made in compliance with rule 165
- 27 adopted under the securities act of 1933, 17 CFR 230.165.

- 1 (ii) A stop order of which the offeror is aware has not been
- 2 issued against the offeror by the administrator or the securities
- 3 and exchange commission, and an audit, inspection, or proceeding
- 4 that is public and may culminate in a stop order is not known by
- 5 the offeror to be pending.
- **6** (q) An offer to sell, but not a sale, of a security exempt
- 7 from registration under the securities act of 1933 if all of the
- 8 following are met:
- 9 (i) A registration statement has been filed under this act,
- 10 but is not effective.
- (ii) A solicitation of interest is provided in a record to
- 12 offerees in compliance with a rule adopted by the administrator
- 13 under this act.
- 14 (iii) A stop order of which the offeror is aware has not been
- 15 issued by the administrator under this act, and an audit,
- 16 inspection, or proceeding that may culminate in a stop order is
- 17 not known by the offeror to be pending.
- 18 (r) A transaction involving the distribution of the
- 19 securities of an issuer to the security holders of another person
- 20 in connection with a merger, consolidation, exchange of
- 21 securities, sale of assets, or other reorganization to which the
- 22 issuer, or its parent or subsidiary, and the other person, or its
- 23 parent or subsidiary, are parties.
- 24 (s) A rescission offer, sale, or purchase under section 510.
- 25 (t) An offer or sale of a security to a person not resident
- 26 in this state and not present in this state if the offer or sale
- 27 does not constitute a violation of the laws of the state or

- 1 foreign jurisdiction in which the offeree or purchaser is present
- 2 and is not part of an unlawful plan or scheme to evade this act.
- 3 (u) An offer or sale of a security pursuant to an employee's
- 4 stock purchase, savings, option, profit-sharing, pension, or
- 5 similar employees' benefit plan, including any securities, plan
- 6 interests, and guarantees issued under a compensatory benefit
- 7 plan or compensation contract, contained in a record, established
- 8 by the issuer, its parents, its majority-owned subsidiaries, or
- 9 the majority-owned subsidiaries of the issuer's parent for the
- 10 participation of their employees including any of the following:
- 11 (i) Offers or sales of those securities to directors; general
- 12 partners; trustees, if the issuer is a business trust; officers;
- 13 or consultants and advisors.
- (ii) Family members who acquire those securities from those
- 15 persons through gifts or domestic relations orders.
- 16 (iii) Former employees, directors, general partners,
- 17 trustees, officers, consultants, and advisors if those
- 18 individuals were employed by or providing services to the issuer
- 19 when the securities were offered.
- 20 (iv) Insurance agents who are exclusive insurance agents of
- 21 the issuer, its subsidiaries or parents, or who derive more than
- 22 50% of their annual income from those organizations.
- (v) A transaction involving any of the following:
- 24 (i) A stock dividend or equivalent equity distribution,
- 25 whether the corporation or other business organization
- 26 distributing the dividend or equivalent equity distribution is
- 27 the issuer or not, if nothing of value is given by stockholders

- 1 or other equity holders for the dividend or equivalent equity
- 2 distribution other than the surrender of a right to a cash or
- 3 property dividend if each stockholder or other equity holder may
- 4 elect to take the dividend or equivalent equity distribution in
- 5 cash, property, or stock.
- 6 (ii) An act incident to a judicially approved reorganization
- 7 in which a security is issued in exchange for 1 or more
- 8 outstanding securities, claims, or property interests, or partly
- 9 in exchange and partly for cash.
- 10 (iii) The solicitation of tenders of securities by an offeror
- 11 in a tender offer in compliance with rule 162 adopted under the
- 12 securities act of 1933, 17 CFR 230.162.
- 13 (w) Subject to subsection (2), a nonissuer transaction in an
- 14 outstanding security by or through a broker-dealer registered or
- 15 exempt from registration under this act, if both of the following
- 16 are met:
- 17 (i) The issuer is a reporting issuer in a foreign
- 18 jurisdiction designated in subsection (2)(a), or by rule or order
- 19 of the administrator, and has been subject to continuous
- 20 reporting requirements in the foreign jurisdiction for not less
- 21 than 180 days before the transaction.
- 22 (ii) The security is listed on the foreign jurisdiction's
- 23 securities exchange that has been designated in subsection
- 24 (2)(a), or by rule or order under this act, or is a security of
- 25 the same issuer that is of senior or substantially equal rank to
- 26 the listed security or is a warrant or right to purchase or
- 27 subscribe to any of the foregoing.

- 1 (2) For purposes of subsection (1)(w), both of the following
- 2 apply:
- 3 (a) Canada, together with its provinces and territories, is a
- 4 designated foreign jurisdiction and the Toronto stock exchange,
- 5 inc., is a designated securities exchange.
- 6 (b) After an administrative hearing in compliance with
- 7 applicable state law, the administrator, by rule or order under
- 8 this act, may revoke the designation of a securities exchange
- $\mathbf{9}$ under subsection (1)(w) or this subsection if the administrator
- 10 finds that revocation is necessary or appropriate in the public
- 11 interest and for the protection of investors.
- 12 Sec. 203. A rule or order under this act may exempt a
- 13 security, transaction, or offer, or a rule or order under this
- 14 act may exempt a class of securities, transactions, or offers,
- 15 from any or all of the requirements of sections 301 to 306 and
- 16 504, and a rule or order under this act may waive any or all of
- 17 the conditions for an exemption or offers under sections 201 and
- **18** 202.
- 19 Sec. 204. (1) Except with respect to a federal covered
- 20 security or a transaction involving a federal covered security,
- 21 an order of the administrator under this act may deny or suspend
- 22 application of, condition, limit, or revoke an exemption created
- 23 under section 201(c)(iii), (g), or (h) or 202 or an exemption or
- 24 waiver created under section 203 with respect to a specific
- 25 security, transaction, or offer. An order under this section may
- 26 only be issued pursuant to the procedures in section 306(4) or
- **27** 604.

- 1 (2) A person does not violate section 301, 303 to 306, 504,
- 2 or 510 by an offer to sell, an offer to purchase, a sale, or a
- 3 purchase effected after the entry of an order issued under this
- 4 section if the person did not know, and in the exercise of
- 5 reasonable care could not have known, of the order.
- ARTICLE 3
- 7 REGISTRATION OF SECURITIES AND NOTICE FILINGS OF FEDERAL COVERED
- 8 SECURITIES
- 9 Sec. 301. A person shall not offer or sell a security in
- 10 this state unless 1 or more of the following are met:
- 11 (a) The security is a federal covered security.
- 12 (b) The security, transaction, or offer is exempted from
- 13 registration under sections 201 to 203.
- 14 (c) The security is registered under this act.
- 15 Sec. 302. (1) A rule or order under this act may require
- 16 the filing of 1 or more of the following records with respect to
- 17 a security issued by an investment company that is a federal
- 18 covered security as defined in section 18(b)(2) of the securities
- 19 act of 1933, 15 USC 77r, that is not otherwise exempt under
- 20 sections 201 to 203:
- 21 (a) Before the initial offer of a federal covered security in
- 22 this state, all records that are part of a federal registration
- 23 statement filed with the securities and exchange commission under
- 24 the securities act of 1933, a consent to service of process
- 25 signed by the issuer, and a fee of \$500.00.
- **26** (b) After the initial offer of the federal covered security
- 27 in this state, all records that are part of an amendment to a

- 1 federal registration statement filed with the securities and
- 2 exchange commission under the securities act of 1933.
- 3 (2) Any security issued by a unit investment trust that is
- 4 registered or that has filed a registration statement under the
- 5 investment company act of 1940 as an investment company may be
- 6 offered for sale and sold into, from, or within this state for an
- 7 indefinite period commencing upon the later of the trust's
- 8 effectiveness with the securities and exchange commission or the
- 9 administrator's receipt of a notice as prescribed by the
- 10 administrator and a 1-time notice filing fee of \$500.00.
- 11 (3) Each of the following applies to a notice filing under
- 12 subsection (1):
- (a) A notice filing is effective for a period of 1 year,
- 14 commencing upon the later of the effectiveness of the offering
- 15 with the securities and exchange commission or the
- 16 administrator's receipt of the notice filing.
- 17 (b) A notice filing may be renewed for an additional 1-year
- 18 period by filing a current form NF and the fee required by
- 19 subsection (8) before the expiration of the 1-year effective
- 20 period. The renewal is effective upon the expiration of the
- 21 prior notice period.
- 22 (c) A notice filing may be terminated by filing with the
- 23 administrator a notice of termination as prescribed by the
- 24 administrator. The termination is effective upon the
- 25 administrator's receipt of the notice of termination.
- 26 (4) With respect to any security that is a federal covered
- 27 security under section 18(b)(4)(D) of the securities act of 1933,

- 1 15 USC 77r, the issuer shall file all of the following:
- 2 (a) A notice on securities and exchange commission form D or
- 3 a form approved by the administrator.
- 4 (b) A consent to service of process signed by the issuer, no
- 5 later than 15 days after the first sale of a federal covered
- 6 security in this state.
- 7 (c) A nonrefundable filing fee of \$100.00.
- 8 (5) The administrator, by rule or order, may require the
- 9 filing of any document filed with the securities and exchange
- 10 commission under the securities act of 1933 and a nonrefundable
- 11 filing fee of \$100.00 with respect to any federal covered
- 12 security.
- 13 (6) The administrator may issue a stop order suspending the
- 14 offer and sale of a federal covered security, except a federal
- 15 covered security under section 18(b)(1) of the securities act of
- 16 1933, 15 USC 77r, if it finds that the order is in the public
- 17 interest and there is a failure to comply with this section.
- 18 (7) The administrator may waive any or all of the provisions
- 19 of this section by rule or order.
- 20 (8) All of the following apply to the renewals of a notice
- 21 filing under subsection (3):
- 22 (a) Subject to adjustment under subdivision (c), the fee for
- 23 the renewal is 1 of the following:
- 24 (i) If the issuer projects nonexempt sales of the security in
- 25 this state during the 1-year renewal period of \$250,000.00 or
- 26 less, \$100.00.
- 27 (ii) If the issuer projects nonexempt sales of the security

- 1 in this state during the 1-year renewal period of more than
- 2 \$250,000.00 but not more than \$700,000.00, \$400.00.
- 3 (iii) If the issuer projects nonexempt sales of the security
- 4 in this state during the 1-year renewal period of more than
- 5 \$700,000.00 but not more than \$1,000,000.00, \$800.00.
- 6 (iv) If the issuer projects nonexempt sales of the security
- 7 in this state during the 1-year renewal period of more than
- 8 \$1,000,000.00, \$1,400.00.
- **9** (b) For purposes of subdivision (a), an issuer's projection
- 10 of nonexempt sales of a security must be reasonable and based on
- 11 any facts known to the issuer at the time of renewal that may
- 12 affect sales of the security, including, but not limited to,
- 13 nonexempt sales of the security in this state during the current
- 14 1-year notice filing period.
- 15 (c) If an issuer's nonexempt sales of a security in this
- 16 state during a 1-year notice filing period exceed the projections
- 17 for that period that the issuer had submitted to the
- 18 administrator for determination of the issuer's renewal fee for
- 19 that 1-year notice filing period, the issuer is not required to
- 20 amend its projections or pay an additional fee for that notice
- 21 filing period. However, the fee for renewal of the notice filing
- 22 shall be the greater of the following:
- 23 (i) The renewal fee determined under subdivision (a).
- 24 (ii) A renewal fee determined under subdivision (a), using
- 25 actual sales during the current notice filing period as the
- 26 projected sales for the renewal notice filing period.
- (d) If an issuer's nonexempt sales of a security in this

- 1 state during a 1-year notice filing period are less than the
- 2 projections for that period that the issuer had submitted to the
- 3 administrator for determination of the issuer's renewal fee for
- 4 the 1-year notice filing period, the issuer is not entitled to a
- 5 refund of any part of the renewal fee for that period or
- 6 adjustment of the renewal fee for any renewal period.
- 7 (e) Upon written request of the administrator, an issuer
- 8 shall provide sales reports showing the issuer's nonexempt sales
- 9 of a security in this state for the current and 2 previous 1-year
- 10 notice filing periods, but the issuer is not otherwise required
- 11 to provide a sales report to the administrator in connection with
- 12 a renewal of a notice filing.
- 13 (f) If the administrator determines that for 2 consecutive
- 14 1-year notice filing periods an issuer's nonexempt sales of a
- 15 security in this state exceeded the issuer's sales projections
- 16 for that period, the administrator may assess the issuer a
- 17 penalty in the amount of the renewal fees the issuer would have
- 18 paid under subdivision (a) if its projections had been accurate.
- 19 This penalty is in addition to an increased fee for renewal under
- 20 subdivision (c), if any.
- 21 (9) If the administrator finds that there is a failure to
- 22 comply with a notice or fee requirement of this section, the
- 23 administrator may issue a stop order suspending the offer and
- 24 sale of a federal covered security in this state, except a
- 25 federal covered security under section 18(b)(1) of the securities
- 26 act of 1933, 15 USC 77r. If the deficiency is corrected, the
- 27 stop order is void as of the time of its issuance and no other

- 1 penalty may be imposed by the administrator.
- 2 Sec. 303. (1) A security for which a registration statement
- 3 has been filed under the securities act of 1933 in connection
- 4 with the same offering may be registered by coordination under
- 5 this section.
- 6 (2) A registration statement and accompanying records under
- 7 this section must contain or be accompanied by all of the
- 8 following records in addition to the information specified in
- 9 section 305 and a consent to service of process complying with
- **10** section 611:
- 11 (a) A copy of the latest form of prospectus filed under the
- 12 securities act of 1933.
- 13 (b) A copy of the articles of incorporation and bylaws or
- 14 their substantial equivalents currently in effect, a copy of any
- 15 agreement with or among underwriters, a copy of any indenture or
- 16 other instrument governing the issuance of the security to be
- 17 registered, and a specimen, copy, or description of the security
- 18 that is required by rule or order under this act.
- 19 (c) Copies of any other information, or any other records,
- 20 filed by the issuer under the securities act of 1933 requested by
- 21 the administrator.
- 22 (d) An undertaking to forward each amendment to the federal
- 23 prospectus, other than an amendment that delays the effective
- 24 date of the registration statement, promptly after it is filed
- 25 with the securities and exchange commission.
- 26 (3) A registration statement under this section becomes
- 27 effective simultaneously with or subsequent to the federal

- 1 registration statement when all the following conditions are
- 2 satisfied:
- 3 (a) A stop order under subsection (4) or section 306 or
- 4 issued by the securities and exchange commission is not in effect
- 5 and a proceeding is not pending against the issuer under section
- **6** 306.
- 7 (b) The registration statement has been on file for at least
- 8 20 days or a shorter period provided by rule or order under this
- 9 act.
- 10 (4) The registrant shall promptly notify the administrator in
- 11 a record of the date when the federal registration statement
- 12 becomes effective and the content of a price amendment, if any,
- 13 and shall promptly file a record containing the price amendment.
- 14 If the notice is not timely received, the administrator may issue
- 15 a stop order, without prior notice or hearing, retroactively
- 16 denying effectiveness to the registration statement or suspending
- 17 its effectiveness until compliance with this section. The
- 18 administrator shall promptly notify the registrant of an order by
- 19 telegram, telephone, or electronic means and promptly confirm
- 20 this notice by a record. If the registrant subsequently complies
- 21 with the notice requirements of this section, the stop order is
- 22 void as of the date of its issuance.
- 23 (5) If the federal registration statement becomes effective
- 24 before each of the conditions in this section is satisfied or is
- 25 waived by the administrator, the registration statement is
- 26 automatically effective under this act when all the conditions
- 27 are satisfied or waived. If the registrant notifies the

- 1 administrator of the date when the federal registration statement
- 2 is expected to become effective, the administrator shall promptly
- 3 notify the registrant by telegram, telephone, or electronic means
- 4 and promptly confirm this notice by a record, indicating whether
- 5 all the conditions are satisfied or waived and whether the
- 6 administrator intends the institution of a proceeding under
- 7 section 306. The notice by the administrator does not preclude
- 8 the institution of a proceeding under section 306.
- 9 Sec. 304. (1) A security may be registered by qualification
- 10 under this section.
- 11 (2) A registration statement under this section must contain
- 12 the information or records specified in section 305, a consent to
- 13 service of process complying with section 611, and, if provided
- 14 by rule under this act, all of the following information or
- 15 records:
- (a) With respect to the issuer and any significant
- 17 subsidiary, its name, address, and form of organization, the
- 18 state or foreign jurisdiction and date of its organization, the
- 19 general character and location of its business, a description of
- 20 its physical properties and equipment, and a statement of the
- 21 general competitive conditions in the industry or business in
- 22 which it is or will be engaged.
- (b) With respect to each director and officer of the issuer,
- 24 and other person having a similar status or performing similar
- 25 functions, the person's name, address, and principal occupation
- 26 for the previous 5 years, the amount of securities of the issuer
- 27 held by the person as of the thirtieth day before the filing of

- 1 the registration statement, the amount of the securities covered
- 2 by the registration statement to which the person has indicated
- 3 an intention to subscribe, and a description of any material
- 4 interest of the person in any material transaction with the
- 5 issuer or a significant subsidiary effected within the previous 3
- 6 years or proposed to be effected.
- 7 (c) With respect to persons covered by subdivision (b), the
- 8 aggregate sum of the remuneration paid to those persons during
- 9 the previous 12 months and estimated to be paid during the next
- 10 12 months, directly or indirectly, by the issuer, and all
- 11 predecessors, parents, subsidiaries, and affiliates of the
- 12 issuer.
- (d) With respect to a person owning of record or owning
- 14 beneficially, if known, 10% or more of the outstanding shares of
- 15 any class of equity security of the issuer, the information
- 16 specified in subdivision (b) other than the person's occupation.
- (e) With respect to a promoter if the issuer was organized
- 18 within the previous 3 years, the information or records specified
- 19 in subdivision (b), any amount paid to the promoter within that
- 20 period or intended to be paid to the promoter, and the
- 21 consideration for the payment.
- 22 (f) With respect to a person on whose behalf any part of the
- 23 offering is to be made in a nonissuer distribution, the person's
- 24 name and address, the amount of securities of the issuer held by
- 25 the person as of the date of the filing of the registration
- 26 statement, a description of any material interest of the person
- 27 in any material transaction with the issuer or any significant

- 1 subsidiary effected within the previous 3 years or proposed to be
- 2 effected, and a statement of the reasons for making the
- 3 offering.
- 4 (g) The capitalization and long-term debt, on both a current
- 5 and pro forma basis, of the issuer and any significant
- 6 subsidiary, including a description of each security outstanding
- 7 or being registered or otherwise offered, and a statement of the
- 8 amount and kind of consideration, whether in the form of cash,
- 9 physical assets, services, patents, goodwill, or anything else of
- 10 value, for which the issuer or any subsidiary has issued its
- 11 securities within the previous 2 years or is obligated to issue
- 12 its securities.
- (h) The kind and amount of securities to be offered, the
- 14 proposed offering price or the method by which it is to be
- 15 computed, any variation at which a proportion of the offering is
- 16 to be made to a person or class of persons other than the
- 17 underwriters, with a specification of the person or class, the
- 18 basis upon which the offering is to be made if otherwise than for
- 19 cash, the estimated aggregate underwriting and selling discounts
- 20 or commissions and finders' fees, including separately cash,
- 21 securities, contracts, or anything else of value to accrue to the
- 22 underwriters or finders in connection with the offering, or, if
- 23 the selling discounts or commissions are variable, the basis of
- 24 determining them and their maximum and minimum amounts, the
- 25 estimated amounts of other selling expenses, including legal,
- 26 engineering, and accounting charges, the name and address of each
- 27 underwriter and each recipient of a finder's fee, a copy of any

- 1 underwriting or selling group agreement under which the
- 2 distribution is to be made, or the proposed form of any such
- 3 agreement whose terms have not yet been determined, and a
- 4 description of the plan of distribution of any securities that
- 5 are to be offered otherwise than through an underwriter.
- 6 (i) The estimated monetary proceeds to be received by the
- 7 issuer from the offering, the purposes for which the proceeds are
- 8 to be used by the issuer, the estimated amount to be used for
- 9 each purpose, the order or priority in which the proceeds will be
- 10 used for the purposes stated, the amounts of any funds to be
- 11 raised from other sources to achieve the purposes stated, the
- 12 sources of the funds, and, if a part of the proceeds is to be
- 13 used to acquire property, including goodwill, otherwise than in
- 14 the ordinary course of business, the names and addresses of the
- 15 vendors, the purchase price, the names of any persons that have
- 16 received commissions in connection with the acquisition, and the
- 17 amounts of the commissions and other expenses in connection with
- 18 the acquisition, including the cost of borrowing money to finance
- 19 the acquisition.
- 20 (j) A description of any stock options or other security
- 21 options outstanding, or to be created in connection with the
- 22 offering, and the amount of those options held or to be held by
- 23 each person required to be named in subdivision (b), (d), (e),
- 24 (f), or (h) and by any person that holds or will hold 10% or more
- 25 in the aggregate of those options.
- (k) The dates of, parties to, and general effect concisely
- 27 stated of each managerial or other material contract made or to

- 1 be made otherwise than in the ordinary course of business to be
- 2 performed in whole or in part at or after the filing of the
- 3 registration statement or that was made within the previous 2
- 4 years, and a copy of the contract.
- (l) A description of any pending litigation, action, or
- 6 proceeding to which the issuer is a party and that materially
- 7 affects its business or assets, including any litigation, action,
- 8 or proceeding known to be contemplated by governmental
- 9 authorities.
- 10 (m) A copy of any prospectus, pamphlet, circular, form
- 11 letter, advertisement, or other sales literature intended as of
- 12 the effective date to be used in connection with the offering and
- 13 any solicitation of interest used in compliance with section
- **14** 202(q)(ii).
- (n) A specimen or copy of the security being registered,
- 16 unless the security is uncertificated, a copy of the issuer's
- 17 articles of incorporation and bylaws, or their substantial
- 18 equivalents, in effect, and a copy of any indenture or other
- 19 instrument covering the security to be registered.
- 20 (o) A signed or conformed copy of an opinion of counsel
- 21 concerning the legality of the security being registered, with an
- 22 English translation if it is in a language other than English,
- 23 which states whether the security when sold will be validly
- 24 issued, fully paid, and nonassessable and, if a debt security, a
- 25 binding obligation of the issuer.
- 26 (p) A signed or conformed copy of a consent of any
- 27 accountant, engineer, appraiser, or other person whose profession

- 1 gives authority for a statement made by the person, if the person
- 2 is named as having prepared or certified a report or valuation,
- 3 other than an official record, that is public, which is used in
- 4 connection with the registration statement.
- 5 (q) A balance sheet of the issuer as of a date within 4
- 6 months before the filing of the registration statement, a
- 7 statement of income and a statement of cash flows for each of the
- 8 3 fiscal years preceding the date of the balance sheet and for
- 9 any period between the close of the immediately previous fiscal
- 10 year and the date of the balance sheet, or for the period of the
- 11 issuer's and any predecessor's existence if less than 3 years,
- 12 and, if any part of the proceeds of the offering is to be applied
- 13 to the purchase of a business, the financial statements that
- 14 would be required if that business were the registrant.
- 15 (r) Any additional information or records required by rule or
- 16 order under this act.
- 17 (3) A registration statement under this section becomes
- 18 effective 30 days, or any shorter period provided by rule or
- 19 order under this act, after the date the registration statement
- 20 or the last amendment other than a price amendment is filed, if
- 21 any of the following apply:
- 22 (a) A stop order is not in effect and a proceeding is not
- 23 pending under section 306.
- 24 (b) The administrator has not issued an order under section
- 25 306 delaying effectiveness.
- 26 (c) The applicant or registrant has not requested that
- 27 effectiveness be delayed.

- 1 (4) The administrator may delay effectiveness once for not
- 2 more than 90 days if the administrator determines the
- 3 registration statement is not complete in all material respects
- 4 and promptly notifies the applicant or registrant of that
- 5 determination. The administrator may also delay effectiveness
- 6 for a further period of not more than 30 days if the
- 7 administrator determines that the delay is necessary or
- 8 appropriate.
- 9 (5) A rule or order under this act may require as a condition
- 10 of registration under this section that a prospectus containing a
- 11 specified part of the information or record specified in
- 12 subsection (2) be sent or given to each person to which an offer
- 13 is made, before or concurrently with the earliest of any of the
- 14 following:
- 15 (a) The first offer made in a record to the person otherwise
- 16 than by means of a public advertisement, by or for the account of
- 17 the issuer or another person on whose behalf the offering is
- 18 being made, or by an underwriter or broker-dealer that is
- 19 offering part of an unsold allotment or subscription taken by the
- 20 person as a participant in the distribution.
- 21 (b) The confirmation of a sale made by or for the account of
- 22 the person.
- (c) Payment pursuant to the sale.
- (d) Delivery of the security pursuant to the sale.
- 25 Sec. 305. (1) A registration statement may be filed by the
- 26 issuer, a person on whose behalf the offering is to be made, or a
- 27 broker-dealer registered under this act.

- 1 (2) A person filing a registration statement shall pay a
- 2 filing fee of 1/10 of 1% of the maximum aggregate offering price
- 3 at which the registered securities are to be offered in this
- 4 state, but the fee shall in no case be less than \$100.00 or more
- 5 than \$1,250.00. If an application for registration is withdrawn
- 6 before the effective date or a preeffective stop order is issued
- 7 under section 306, the administrator shall retain a fee of
- 8 \$100.00 if the initial review has not been commenced, and the
- 9 full filing fee after review has been commenced.
- 10 (3) A registration statement filed under section 303 or 304
- 11 must specify all of the following:
- 12 (a) The amount of securities to be offered in this state.
- 13 (b) The states in which a registration statement or similar
- 14 record in connection with the offering has been or is to be
- 15 filed.
- 16 (c) Any adverse order, judgment, or decree issued in
- 17 connection with the offering by a state securities regulator, the
- 18 securities and exchange commission, or a court.
- 19 (4) A record filed under this act or the predecessor act,
- 20 within 5 years preceding the filing of a registration statement,
- 21 may be incorporated by reference in the registration statement to
- 22 the extent that the record is currently accurate.
- 23 (5) In the case of a nonissuer distribution, information or a
- 24 record shall not be required under subsection (9) or section 304,
- 25 unless it is known to the person filing the registration
- 26 statement or to the person on whose behalf the distribution is to
- 27 be made, or unless it can be furnished by those persons without

- 1 unreasonable effort or expense.
- 2 (6) A rule or order under this act may require as a condition
- 3 of registration that a security issued within the previous 5
- 4 years, or to be issued to a promoter for a consideration
- 5 substantially less than the public offering price or to a person
- 6 for a consideration other than cash, be deposited in escrow and
- 7 that the proceeds from the sale of the registered security in
- 8 this state be impounded until the issuer receives a specified
- 9 amount from the sale of the security either in this state or
- 10 elsewhere. The conditions of any escrow or impoundment required
- 11 under this subsection may be established by rule or order under
- 12 this act, but the administrator shall not reject a depository
- 13 institution solely because of its location in another state.
- 14 (7) A rule or order under this act may require as a condition
- 15 of registration that a security registered under this act be sold
- 16 only on a specified form of subscription or sale contract and
- 17 that a signed or conformed copy of each contract be filed under
- 18 this act or preserved for a period specified by the rule or
- 19 order, which may not be longer than 5 years.
- 20 (8) Except while a stop order is in effect under section 306,
- 21 a registration statement is effective for 1 year after its
- 22 effective date, or for a longer period designated in an order
- 23 under this act during which the security is being offered or
- 24 distributed in a nonexempted transaction by or for the account of
- 25 the issuer or other person on whose behalf the offering is being
- 26 made or by an underwriter or broker-dealer that is still offering
- 27 part of an unsold allotment or subscription taken as a

- 1 participant in the distribution. For the purposes of a nonissuer
- 2 transaction, all outstanding securities of the same class
- 3 identified in the registration statement as a security registered
- 4 under this act are considered to be registered while the
- 5 registration statement is effective. If any securities of the
- 6 same class are outstanding, a registration statement may not be
- 7 withdrawn until 1 year after its effective date. A registration
- 8 statement may be withdrawn only with the approval of the
- **9** administrator.
- 10 (9) While a registration statement is effective, a rule or
- 11 order under this act may require the person that filed the
- 12 registration statement to file reports, not more often than
- 13 quarterly, to keep the information or other record in the
- 14 registration statement reasonably current and to disclose the
- 15 progress of the offering.
- 16 (10) A registration statement may be amended after its
- 17 effective date. The posteffective amendment becomes effective
- 18 when the administrator so orders. If a posteffective amendment
- 19 is made to increase the number of securities specified to be
- 20 offered or sold, the person filing the amendment shall pay a
- 21 registration fee calculated in the manner specified in subsection
- 22 (2). A posteffective amendment relates back to the date of the
- 23 offering of the additional securities being registered if the
- 24 amendment is filed and the additional registration fee is paid
- 25 within 1 year after the date of the sale.
- 26 Sec. 306. (1) The administrator may issue a stop order
- 27 denying effectiveness to, or suspending or revoking the

- 1 effectiveness of, a registration statement if the administrator
- 2 finds that the order is in the public interest and that 1 or more
- 3 of the following apply:
- 4 (a) The registration statement as of its effective date or
- 5 before the effective date in the case of an order denying
- 6 effectiveness, an amendment under section 305(10) as of its
- 7 effective date, or a report under section 305(9) is incomplete in
- 8 a material respect or contains a statement that, in the light of
- 9 the circumstances under which it was made, was false or
- 10 misleading with respect to a material fact.
- 11 (b) This act or a rule adopted or order issued under this act
- 12 or a condition imposed under this act has been willfully
- 13 violated, in connection with the offering, by the person filing
- 14 the registration statement; by the issuer, a partner, officer, or
- 15 director of the issuer or a person having a similar status or
- 16 performing a similar function; a promoter of the issuer or a
- 17 person directly or indirectly controlling or controlled by the
- 18 issuer; but only if the person filing the registration statement
- 19 is directly or indirectly controlled by or acting for the issuer;
- 20 or by an underwriter.
- (c) The security registered or sought to be registered is the
- 22 subject of a permanent or temporary injunction of a court of
- 23 competent jurisdiction or an administrative stop order or similar
- 24 order issued under any federal, foreign, or state law other than
- 25 this act applicable to the offering, but the administrator shall
- 26 not institute a proceeding against an effective registration
- 27 statement under this paragraph more than 1 year after the date of

- 1 the order or injunction on which it is based, and the
- 2 administrator shall not issue an order under this subdivision on
- 3 the basis of an order or injunction issued under the securities
- 4 act of another state unless the order or injunction was based on
- 5 conduct that would constitute, as of the date of the order, a
- 6 ground for a stop order under this section.
- 7 (d) The issuer's enterprise or method of business includes or
- 8 would include activities that are unlawful where performed.
- **9** (e) With respect to a security sought to be registered under
- 10 section 303, there has been a failure to comply with the
- 11 undertaking required by section 303(2)(d).
- 12 (f) The applicant or registrant has not paid the proper
- 13 filing fee, but the administrator shall void the order if the
- 14 deficiency is corrected.
- (g) One or more of the following apply to the offering:
- 16 (i) The offering will work or tend to work a fraud upon
- 17 purchasers or would so operate.
- 18 (ii) The offering has been or would be made with unreasonable
- 19 amounts of underwriters' and sellers' discounts, commissions, or
- 20 other compensation, promoters' profits or participations, or
- 21 unreasonable amounts or kinds of options.
- 22 (iii) The offering is being made on terms that are unfair,
- 23 unjust, or inequitable.
- 24 (2) To the extent practicable, the administrator by rule or
- 25 order under this act shall publish guidelines, rules, or orders
- 26 that provide notice of conduct that violates subsection (1)(q).
- 27 (3) The administrator shall not institute a stop order

- 1 proceeding against an effective registration statement on the
- 2 basis of conduct or a transaction known to the administrator when
- 3 the registration statement became effective unless the proceeding
- 4 is instituted within 30 days after the registration statement
- 5 became effective.
- 6 (4) The administrator may summarily revoke, deny, postpone,
- 7 or suspend the effectiveness of a registration statement pending
- 8 final determination of an administrative proceeding. Upon the
- 9 issuance of the order, the administrator shall promptly notify
- 10 each person specified in subsection (5) that the order has been
- 11 issued, the reasons for the revocation, denial, postponement, or
- 12 suspension, and that within 15 days after the receipt of a
- 13 request in a record from the person the matter will be scheduled
- 14 for a hearing. If a hearing is not requested and none is ordered
- 15 by the administrator, within 30 days after the date of service of
- 16 the order, the order becomes final. If a hearing is requested or
- 17 ordered, the administrator, after notice of and opportunity for
- 18 hearing for each person subject to the order, may modify or
- 19 vacate the order or extend the order until final determination.
- 20 (5) The administrator shall not issue a stop order under this
- 21 section until all of the following have occurred:
- 22 (a) Appropriate notice has been given to the applicant or
- 23 registrant, the issuer, and the person on whose behalf the
- 24 securities are to be or have been offered.
- 25 (b) An opportunity for hearing has been given to the
- 26 applicant or registrant, the issuer, and the person on whose
- 27 behalf the securities are to be or have been offered.

- 1 (c) Findings of fact and conclusions of law in a record in
- 2 accordance with the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969
- 3 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328.
- **4** (6) The administrator may modify or vacate a stop order
- 5 issued under this section if the administrator finds that the
- 6 conditions that caused its issuance have changed or that it is
- 7 necessary or appropriate in the public interest or for the
- 8 protection of investors.
- 9 Sec. 307. The administrator may waive or modify, in whole
- 10 or in part, any or all of the requirements of sections 302, 303,
- 11 and 304(2) or the requirement of any information or record in a
- 12 registration statement or in a periodic report filed pursuant to
- **13** section 305(9).
- 14 ARTICLE 4
- 15 BROKER-DEALERS, AGENTS, INVESTMENT ADVISERS, INVESTMENT ADVISER
- 16 REPRESENTATIVES, AND FEDERAL COVERED INVESTMENT ADVISERS
- 17 Sec. 401. (1) A person shall not transact business in this
- 18 state as a broker-dealer unless the person is registered under
- 19 this act as a broker-dealer or is exempt from registration as a
- 20 broker-dealer under subsection (2) or (4).
- 21 (2) The following persons are exempt from the registration
- 22 requirement of subsection (1):
- 23 (a) A broker-dealer if the broker-dealer does not have a
- 24 place of business in this state and if the broker-dealer's only
- 25 transactions effected in this state are with any of the
- 26 following:
- (i) The issuer of the securities involved in the

- 1 transactions.
- $\mathbf{2}$ (ii) A broker-dealer registered as a broker-dealer under
- 3 this act or not required to be registered as a broker-dealer
- 4 under this act.
- 5 (iii) An institutional investor.
- 6 (iv) A nonaffiliated federal covered investment adviser with
- 7 investments under management in excess of \$100,000,000.00 acting
- 8 for the account of others pursuant to discretionary authority in
- 9 a signed record.
- 10 (v) A bona fide preexisting customer whose principal place
- 11 of residence is not in this state and the broker-dealer is
- 12 registered as a broker-dealer under the securities exchange act
- 13 of 1934 or not required to be registered under the securities
- 14 exchange act of 1934 and is registered under the securities act
- 15 of the state in which the customer maintains a principal place of
- 16 residence.
- 17 (vi) A bona fide preexisting customer whose principal place
- 18 of residence is in this state but who was not present in this
- 19 state when the customer relationship was established, if both of
- 20 the following are met:
- 21 (A) The broker-dealer is registered under the securities
- 22 exchange act of 1934 or not required to be registered under the
- 23 securities exchange act of 1934 and is registered under the
- 24 securities laws of the state in which the customer relationship
- 25 was established and where the customer had maintained a principal
- 26 place of residence.
- 27 (B) Within 45 days after the customer's first transaction in

- 1 this state, the person files an application for registration as a
- 2 broker-dealer in this state and a further transaction is not
- 3 effected more than 75 days after the date on which the
- 4 application is filed, or, if earlier, the date on which the
- 5 administrator notifies the person that the administrator has
- 6 denied the application for registration or has stayed the
- 7 pendency of the application for good cause.
- 8 (vii) Not more than 3 customers in this state during the
- 9 previous 12 months, in addition to those specified in
- **10** subparagraphs (i) to (vi) and under subparagraph (viii), if the
- 11 broker-dealer is registered under the securities exchange act of
- 12 1934 or not required to be registered under the securities
- 13 exchange act of 1934 and is registered under the securities act
- 14 of the state in which the broker-dealer has its principal place
- 15 of business.
- 16 (viii) Any other person exempted by rule or order under this
- 17 act.
- 18 (b) A person that deals solely in United States government
- 19 securities and is supervised as a dealer in government securities
- 20 by the board of governors of the federal reserve system, the
- 21 comptroller of the currency, the federal deposit insurance
- 22 corporation, or the office of thrift supervision.
- (c) A person licensed or registered as a mortgage broker,
- 24 mortgage lender, or mortgage servicer under the mortgage brokers,
- 25 lenders, and servicers licensing act, 1987 PA 173, MCL 445.1651
- 26 to 445.1684, in the offer or sale of mortgage loans as defined in
- 27 section 1a of the mortgage brokers, lenders, and servicers

- 1 licensing act, 1987 PA 173, MCL 445.1651a.
- 2 (3) A broker-dealer, or an issuer engaged in offering,
- 3 offering to purchase, purchasing, or selling securities in this
- 4 state, shall not directly or indirectly employ or associate with
- 5 an individual to engage in an activity related to securities
- 6 transactions in this state if the registration of the individual
- 7 is suspended or revoked or the individual is barred from
- 8 employment or association with a broker-dealer, an issuer, an
- 9 investment adviser, or a federal covered investment adviser by an
- 10 order of the administrator under this act, the securities and
- 11 exchange commission, or a self-regulatory organization. A
- 12 broker-dealer or issuer does not violate this subsection if the
- 13 broker-dealer or issuer did not know and in the exercise of
- 14 reasonable care could not have known of the suspension,
- 15 revocation, or bar. If requested by a broker-dealer or issuer
- 16 and if good cause is shown, an order under this act may modify or
- 17 waive, in whole or in part, the application of the prohibitions
- 18 of this subsection.
- 19 (4) A rule or order under this act may permit any of the
- 20 following:
- 21 (a) A broker-dealer that is registered in Canada or other
- 22 foreign jurisdiction and that does not have a place of business
- 23 in this state to effect transactions in securities with or for,
- 24 or attempt to effect the purchase or sale of any securities by,
- 25 any of the following:
- 26 (i) An individual from Canada or other foreign jurisdiction
- 27 who is temporarily present in this state and with whom the

- 1 broker-dealer had a bona fide customer relationship before the
- 2 individual entered the United States.
- 3 (ii) An individual from Canada or other foreign jurisdiction
- 4 who is present in this state and whose transactions are in a
- 5 self-directed tax advantaged retirement plan of which the
- 6 individual is the holder or contributor in that foreign
- 7 jurisdiction.
- 8 (iii) An individual who is present in this state, with whom
- 9 the broker-dealer customer relationship arose while the
- 10 individual was temporarily or permanently resident in Canada or
- 11 the other foreign jurisdiction.
- 12 (b) An agent who represents a broker-dealer that is exempt
- 13 under this subsection to effect transactions in securities or
- 14 attempt to effect the purchase or sale of any securities in this
- 15 state as permitted for a broker-dealer described in subsection
- **16** (4)(a).
- 17 Sec. 402. (1) An individual shall not transact business in
- 18 this state as an agent unless the individual is registered under
- 19 this act as an agent or is exempt from registration as an agent
- 20 under subsection (2).
- 21 (2) Each of the following individuals is exempt from the
- 22 registration requirement of subsection (1):
- 23 (a) An individual who represents a broker-dealer in effecting
- 24 transactions in this state limited to those described in section
- 25 15(h)(2) of the securities exchange act of 1934, 15 USC 780.
- 26 (b) An individual who represents a broker-dealer that is
- 27 exempt under section 401(2) or (4).

- 1 (c) An individual who represents an issuer with respect to an
- 2 offer or sale of the issuer's own securities or those of the
- 3 issuer's parent or any of the issuer's subsidiaries, and who is
- 4 not compensated in connection with the individual's participation
- 5 by the payment of commissions or other remuneration based,
- 6 directly or indirectly, on transactions in those securities.
- 7 (d) An individual who represents an issuer and who effects
- 8 transactions in the issuer's securities exempted by section 202,
- 9 other than section 202(1)(k) or (n).
- (e) An individual who represents an issuer who effects
- 11 transactions solely in federal covered securities of the issuer,
- 12 but an individual who effects transactions in a federal covered
- 13 security under section 18(b)(3) or 18(b)(4)(D) of the securities
- 14 act of 1933, 15 USC 77r, is not exempt if the individual is
- 15 compensated in connection with the agent's participation by the
- 16 payment of commissions or other remuneration based, directly or
- 17 indirectly, on transactions in those securities.
- 18 (f) An individual who represents a broker-dealer registered
- 19 in this state under section 401(1) or exempt from registration
- 20 under section 401(2) in the offer and sale of securities for an
- 21 account of a nonaffiliated federal covered investment adviser
- 22 with investments under management in excess of \$100,000,000.00
- 23 acting for the account of others pursuant to discretionary
- 24 authority in a signed record.
- 25 (g) An individual who represents an issuer in connection with
- 26 the purchase of the issuer's own securities.
- 27 (h) An individual who represents an issuer and who restricts

- 1 participation to performing clerical or ministerial acts.
- 2 (i) An employee of a person licensed or registered under the
- 3 mortgage brokers, lenders, and servicers licensing act, 1987 PA
- **4** 173, MCL 445.1651 to 445.1684, in the offer or sale of mortgage
- 5 loans as defined in section 1a of the mortgage brokers, lenders,
- 6 and servicers licensing act, 1987 PA 173, MCL 445.1651a, when
- 7 acting as an employee of the licensed or registered person.
- 8 (j) Any other individual exempted by rule or order under this
- **9** act.
- 10 (3) The registration of an agent is effective only while the
- 11 agent is employed by or associated with a broker-dealer
- 12 registered under this act or an issuer that is offering, selling,
- 13 or purchasing its securities in this state.
- 14 (4) A broker-dealer, or an issuer engaged in offering,
- 15 selling, or purchasing securities in this state, shall not employ
- 16 or associate with an agent who transacts business in this state
- 17 on behalf of broker-dealers or issuers unless the agent is
- 18 registered under subsection (1) or exempt from registration under
- 19 subsection (2).
- 20 (5) An individual shall not act as an agent for more than 1
- 21 broker-dealer or more than 1 issuer at a time, unless the
- 22 broker-dealers or the issuers for which the agent acts are
- 23 affiliated by direct or indirect common control or are authorized
- 24 by rule or order under this act.
- 25 Sec. 403. (1) A person shall not transact business in this
- 26 state as an investment adviser unless the person is registered
- 27 under this act as an investment adviser or is exempt from

- 1 registration as an investment adviser under subsection (2).
- 2 (2) The following persons are exempt from the registration
- 3 requirement of subsection (1):
- 4 (a) A person that does not have a place of business in this
- 5 state and that is registered under the securities act of the
- 6 state in which the person has its principal place of business, if
- 7 its only clients in this state are any of the following:
- 8 (i) Federal covered investment advisers, investment advisers
- 9 registered under this act, or broker-dealers registered under
- 10 this act.
- 11 (ii) Institutional investors.
- 12 (iii) Bona fide preexisting clients whose principal places of
- 13 residence are not in this state, if the investment adviser is
- 14 registered under the securities act of the state in which the
- 15 clients maintain principal places of residence.
- 16 (iv) Any other client exempted by rule or order under this
- 17 act.
- 18 (b) A person that does not have a place of business in this
- 19 state if the person has had, during the preceding 12 months, not
- 20 more than 5 clients that are residents of this state in addition
- 21 to those specified under subdivision (a).
- 22 (c) The person is an investment adviser who is not required
- 23 to be registered as an investment adviser under the investment
- 24 advisers act of 1940 if the investment adviser's only clients in
- 25 this state are other investment advisers, federal covered
- 26 advisers, broker-dealers, or institutional investors.
- 27 (d) Any other person exempted by rule or order under this

- 1 act.
- 2 (3) An investment adviser shall not, directly or indirectly,
- 3 employ or associate with an individual to engage in an activity
- 4 related to investment advice in this state if the registration of
- 5 the individual is suspended or revoked, or the individual is
- 6 barred from employment or association with an investment adviser,
- 7 federal covered investment adviser, or broker-dealer by an order
- 8 under this act, the securities and exchange commission, or a
- 9 self-regulatory organization, unless the investment adviser did
- 10 not know, and in the exercise of reasonable care could not have
- 11 known, of the suspension, revocation, or bar. If the investment
- 12 adviser request and good cause is shown, the administrator, by
- 13 order, may waive, in whole or in part, the application of the
- 14 prohibitions of this subsection.
- 15 (4) An investment adviser shall not employ or associate with
- 16 an individual required to be registered under this act as an
- 17 investment adviser representative who transacts business in this
- 18 state on behalf of the investment adviser unless the individual
- 19 is registered under section 404(1) or is exempt from registration
- **20** under section 404(2).
- 21 Sec. 404. (1) An individual shall not transact business in
- 22 this state as an investment adviser representative unless the
- 23 individual is registered under this act as an investment adviser
- 24 representative or is exempt from registration as an investment
- 25 adviser representative under subsection (2).
- 26 (2) Each of the following individuals is exempt from the
- 27 registration requirement of subsection (1):

- 1 (a) An individual who is employed by or associated with an
- 2 investment adviser that is exempt from registration under section
- 3 403(2) or a federal covered investment adviser that is excluded
- 4 from the notice filing requirements of section 405.
- 5 (b) Any other individual exempted by rule or order under this
- 6 act.
- 7 (3) The registration of an investment adviser representative
- 8 is not effective while the investment adviser representative is
- 9 not employed by or associated with an investment adviser
- 10 registered under this act or a federal covered investment adviser
- 11 that has made or is required to make a notice filing under
- **12** section 405.
- 13 (4) An individual may transact business as an investment
- 14 adviser representative for more than 1 investment adviser or
- 15 federal covered investment adviser unless a rule or order under
- 16 this act prohibits or limits an individual from acting as an
- 17 investment adviser representative for more than 1 investment
- 18 adviser or federal covered investment adviser.
- 19 (5) An individual acting as an investment adviser
- 20 representative shall not, directly or indirectly, conduct
- 21 business in this state on behalf of an investment adviser or a
- 22 federal covered investment adviser if the registration of the
- 23 individual as an investment adviser representative is suspended
- 24 or revoked or the individual is barred from employment or
- 25 association with an investment adviser or a federal covered
- 26 investment adviser by an order under this act, the securities and
- 27 exchange commission, or a self-regulatory organization. If a

- 1 federal covered investment adviser requests and good cause is
- 2 shown, the administrator, by order, may waive, in whole or in
- 3 part, the application of the requirements of this subsection.
- 4 (6) An investment adviser registered under this act, a
- 5 federal covered investment adviser that has filed a notice under
- 6 section 405, or a broker-dealer registered under this act is not
- 7 required to employ or associate with an individual as an
- 8 investment adviser representative if the only compensation paid
- 9 to the individual for a referral of investment advisory clients
- 10 is paid to an investment adviser registered under this act, a
- 11 federal covered investment adviser who has filed a notice under
- 12 section 405, or a broker-dealer registered under this act with
- 13 which the individual is employed or associated as an investment
- 14 adviser representative.
- 15 Sec. 405. (1) Except with respect to a federal covered
- 16 investment adviser described in subsection (2), a federal covered
- 17 investment adviser shall not transact business in this state as a
- 18 federal covered investment adviser unless the federal covered
- 19 investment adviser complies with subsection (3).
- 20 (2) The following federal covered investment advisers are not
- 21 required to comply with subsection (3):
- 22 (a) A federal covered investment adviser without a place of
- 23 business in this state if its only clients in this state are any
- 24 of the following:
- 25 (i) Federal covered investment advisers, investment advisers
- 26 registered under this act, and broker-dealers registered under
- 27 this act.

- 1 (ii) Institutional investors.
- 2 (iii) Bona fide preexisting clients whose principal places of
- 3 residence are not in this state.
- 4 (iv) Other clients specified by rule or order under this
- 5 act.
- 6 (b) A federal covered investment adviser that does not have a
- 7 place of business in this state if the federal covered investment
- 8 adviser has had, during the preceding 12 months, not more than 5
- 9 clients that are residents of this state in addition to those
- 10 specified under subdivision (a).
- 11 (c) Any other person excluded by rule or order under this
- **12** act.
- 13 (3) A person acting as a federal covered investment adviser,
- 14 not excluded under subsection (2), shall file a notice, a consent
- 15 to service of process complying with section 611, and those
- 16 records that have been filed with the securities and exchange
- 17 commission under the investment advisers act of 1940 that are
- 18 required by rule or order under this act and pay the fees
- 19 specified in section 410(5).
- 20 (4) A notice under subsection (3) is effective on filing.
- 21 Sec. 406. (1) A person shall register as a broker-dealer,
- 22 agent, investment adviser, or investment adviser representative
- 23 by filing an application and a consent to service of process
- 24 complying with section 611 and paying the fee specified in
- 25 section 410 and any reasonable fees charged by the designee of
- 26 the administrator for processing the filing. Each application
- 27 must contain both of the following:

- 1 (a) The information or record required for the filing of a
- 2 uniform application.
- 3 (b) If requested by the administrator, any other financial or
- 4 other information or record that the administrator determines is
- **5** appropriate.
- 6 (2) If the information or record contained in an application
- 7 that is filed under subsection (1) is or becomes inaccurate or
- 8 incomplete in any material respect, the registrant shall promptly
- 9 file a correcting amendment.
- 10 (3) If an order is not in effect and no proceeding is pending
- 11 under section 412, registration becomes effective at 12 noon on
- 12 the forty-fifth day after a completed application is filed unless
- 13 the registration is denied. A rule or order under this act may
- 14 set an earlier effective date or may defer the effective date
- 15 until 12 noon on the forty-fifth day after the filing of any
- 16 amendment completing the application.
- 17 (4) A registration is effective until 12 midnight on December
- 18 31 of the year for which the application for registration is
- 19 filed. Unless an order is in effect under section 412, a
- 20 registration may be automatically renewed each year by filing the
- 21 records required by rule or order under this act and paying the
- 22 fee specified in section 410 and the costs charged by the
- 23 designee of the administrator for processing the filings.
- 24 (5) A rule or order under this act may impose other
- 25 conditions not inconsistent with the national securities markets
- 26 improvement act of 1996, Public Law 104-290, 110 Stat. 3416, or
- 27 an order under this act may waive, in whole or in part, specific

- 1 requirements in connection with registration if the imposition or
- 2 waiver is appropriate in the public interest and for the
- 3 protection of investors.
- 4 Sec. 407. (1) A broker-dealer or investment adviser may
- 5 succeed to the current registration of another broker-dealer or
- 6 investment adviser or a notice filing of a federal covered
- 7 investment adviser, and a federal covered investment adviser may
- 8 succeed to the current registration of an investment adviser or
- 9 notice filing of another federal covered investment adviser, by
- 10 filing as a successor an application for registration under
- 11 section 401 or 403, or a notice under section 405, for the
- 12 unexpired portion of the current registration or notice filing.
- 13 (2) A broker-dealer or investment adviser that changes its
- 14 form of organization or state of incorporation or organization
- 15 may continue its registration by filing an amendment to its
- 16 registration if the change does not involve a material change in
- 17 its financial condition or management. The amendment is
- 18 effective when filed or on a date designated by the registrant in
- 19 the filing. The new organization is a successor to the original
- 20 registrant for the purposes of this act. If there is a material
- 21 change in financial condition or management, the broker-dealer or
- 22 investment adviser shall file a new application for
- 23 registration. Any predecessor registered under this act shall
- 24 stop conducting its securities business other than winding down
- 25 transactions and shall file for withdrawal of broker-dealer or
- 26 investment adviser registration within 45 days after filing its
- 27 amendment to effect succession.

- 1 (3) A broker-dealer or investment adviser that changes its
- 2 name may continue its registration by filing an amendment to its
- 3 registration. The amendment is effective when filed or on a date
- 4 designated by the registrant.
- 5 (4) A change of control of a broker-dealer or investment
- 6 adviser may be made in accordance with a rule or order under this
- **7** act.
- 8 Sec. 408. (1) If an agent registered under this act
- 9 terminates employment by or association with a broker-dealer or
- 10 issuer, or if an investment adviser representative registered
- 11 under this act terminates employment by or association with an
- 12 investment adviser or federal covered investment adviser, or if
- 13 either registrant terminates activities that require registration
- 14 as an agent or investment adviser representative, the
- 15 broker-dealer, investment adviser, or federal covered investment
- 16 adviser shall promptly file a notice of termination. If the
- 17 registrant learns that the broker-dealer, issuer, investment
- 18 adviser, or federal covered investment adviser has not filed the
- 19 notice, the registrant may file the notice.
- 20 (2) If an agent registered under this act terminates
- 21 employment by or association with a broker-dealer registered
- 22 under this act and begins employment by or association with
- 23 another broker-dealer registered under this act; or if an
- 24 investment adviser representative registered under this act
- 25 terminates employment by or association with an investment
- 26 adviser registered under this act or a federal covered investment
- 27 adviser that has filed a notice under section 405 and begins

- 1 employment by or association with another investment adviser
- 2 registered under this act or a federal covered investment adviser
- 3 that has filed a notice under section 405, then upon the filing
- 4 by or on behalf of the registrant, within 30 days after the
- 5 termination, of an application for registration that complies
- 6 with the requirement of section 406(1) and payment of the filing
- 7 fee required under section 410, 1 of the following applies to the
- 8 registration of the agent or investment adviser representative:
- **9** (a) If the agent's central registration depository record or
- 10 successor record or the investment adviser representative's
- 11 investment adviser registration depository record or successor
- 12 record does not contain a new or amended disciplinary disclosure
- 13 within the previous 12 months, the registration is immediately
- 14 effective as of the date of the completed filing.
- (b) If the agent's central registration depository record or
- 16 the investment adviser representative's investment adviser
- 17 registration depository record contains a new or amended
- 18 disciplinary disclosure within the preceding 12 months, the
- 19 registration is temporarily effective as of the date of the
- 20 completed filing.
- 21 (3) If there are or were grounds for discipline under section
- 22 412, the administrator may withdraw a temporary registration
- 23 within 30 days after the application is filed. If the
- 24 administrator does not withdraw the temporary registration within
- 25 the 30-day period, registration becomes automatically effective
- 26 on the thirty-first day after filing.
- 27 (4) The administrator may prevent the effectiveness of a

- 1 transfer of an agent or investment adviser representative under
- 2 subsection (2)(a) or (b) based on the public interest and the
- 3 protection of investors.
- **4** (5) If the administrator determines that a registrant or
- 5 applicant for registration is no longer in existence, has ceased
- 6 to act as a broker-dealer, agent, investment adviser, or
- 7 investment adviser representative, is the subject of an
- 8 adjudication of incapacity, is subject to the control of a
- 9 committee, conservator, or guardian, or cannot reasonably be
- 10 located, a rule or order under this act may require the
- 11 registration be canceled or terminated or the application
- 12 denied. The administrator may reinstate a canceled or terminated
- 13 registration, with or without hearing, and may make the
- 14 registration retroactive.
- 15 Sec. 409. Withdrawal of registration by a broker-dealer,
- 16 agent, investment adviser, or investment adviser representative
- 17 is effective 60 days after an application to withdraw is filed or
- 18 within a shorter period as provided by rule or order under this
- 19 act, unless a revocation or suspension proceeding is pending when
- 20 the application is filed. If a proceeding is pending, withdrawal
- 21 is effective when and on conditions required by rule or order
- 22 under this act. The administrator may institute a revocation or
- 23 suspension proceeding under section 412 within 1 year after the
- 24 withdrawal became effective automatically and issue a revocation
- 25 or suspension order as of the last date on which registration was
- 26 effective if a proceeding is not pending.
- 27 Sec. 410. (1) Before October 1, 2007, a person shall pay a

- 1 fee of \$300.00 when initially filing an application for
- 2 registration as a broker-dealer and a fee of \$300.00 when filing
- 3 a renewal of registration as a broker-dealer. After
- 4 September 30, 2007, a person shall pay a fee of \$250.00 when
- 5 initially filing an application for registration as a
- 6 broker-dealer and a fee of \$250.00 when filing a renewal of
- 7 registration as a broker-dealer. If the filing results in a
- 8 denial or withdrawal, the administrator shall retain all of the
- 9 filing fee.
- 10 (2) Before October 1, 2007, an individual shall pay a fee of
- 11 \$65.00 when filing an application for registration as an agent, a
- 12 fee of \$65.00 when filing a renewal of registration as an agent,
- 13 and a fee of \$65.00 when filing for a change of registration as
- 14 an agent. After September 30, 2007, an individual shall pay a
- 15 fee of \$30.00 when filing an application for registration as an
- 16 agent, a fee of \$30.00 when filing a renewal of registration as
- 17 an agent, and a fee of \$30.00 when filing for a change of
- 18 registration as an agent. If the filing results in a denial or
- 19 withdrawal, the administrator shall retain all of the filing
- **20** fee.
- 21 (3) Before October 1, 2007, a person shall pay a fee of
- 22 \$200.00 when filing an application for registration as an
- 23 investment adviser and a fee of \$200.00 when filing a renewal of
- 24 registration as an investment adviser. After September 30, 2007,
- 25 a person shall pay a fee of \$150.00 when filing an application
- 26 for registration as an investment adviser and a fee of \$150.00
- 27 when filing a renewal of registration as an investment adviser.

- 1 If the filing results in a denial or withdrawal, the
- 2 administrator shall retain all of the filing fee.
- 3 (4) Before October 1, 2007, an individual shall pay a fee of
- 4 \$65.00 when filing an application for registration as an
- 5 investment adviser representative, a fee of \$65.00 when filing a
- 6 renewal of registration as an investment adviser representative,
- 7 and a fee of \$65.00 when filing a change of registration as an
- 8 investment adviser representative. After September 30, 2007, an
- 9 individual shall pay a fee of \$30.00 when filing an application
- 10 for registration as an investment adviser representative, a fee
- 11 of \$30.00 when filing a renewal of registration as an investment
- 12 adviser representative, and a fee of \$30.00 when filing a change
- 13 of registration as an investment adviser representative. If the
- 14 filing results in a denial or withdrawal, the administrator shall
- 15 retain all of the filing fee.
- 16 (5) Before October 1, 2007, a federal covered investment
- 17 adviser required to file a notice under section 405 shall pay an
- 18 initial and annual notice fee of \$200.00. After September 30,
- 19 2007, a federal covered investment adviser required to file a
- 20 notice under section 405 shall pay an initial and annual notice
- 21 fee of \$150.00.
- 22 (6) A person required to pay a filing or notice fee under
- 23 this section may transmit the fee through or to a designee as a
- 24 rule or order requires under this act.
- 25 (7) An investment adviser representative who is registered as
- 26 an agent under section 402 and who represents a person that is
- 27 both registered as a broker-dealer under section 401 and

- 1 registered as an investment adviser under section 403 or required
- 2 as a federal covered investment adviser to make a notice filing
- 3 under section 405 is not required to pay an initial or annual
- 4 registration fee for registration as an investment adviser
- 5 representative.
- 6 Sec. 411. (1) Subject to section 15(h) of the securities
- 7 act of 1934, 15 USC 780, or section 222 of the investment
- 8 advisers act of 1940, 15 USC 80b-18a, a rule or order under this
- 9 act may establish minimum financial requirements for
- 10 broker-dealers registered or required to be registered under this
- 11 act and investment advisers registered or required to be
- 12 registered under this act.
- 13 (2) Subject to section 15(h) of the securities exchange act
- 14 of 1934, 15 USC 78o, or section 222(b) of the investment advisers
- 15 act of 1940, 15 USC 80b-18a, a broker-dealer registered or
- 16 required to be registered under this act and an investment
- 17 adviser registered or required to be registered under this act
- 18 shall file financial reports required by rule or order under this
- 19 act. If the information contained in a record filed under this
- 20 subsection is or becomes inaccurate or incomplete in any material
- 21 respect, the registrant shall promptly file a correcting
- 22 amendment.
- 23 (3) Subject to section 15(h) of the securities exchange act
- 24 of 1934, 15 USC 780, or section 222 of the investment advisers
- 25 act of 1940, 15 USC 80b-18a, a broker-dealer registered or
- 26 required to be registered under this act and an investment
- 27 adviser registered or required to be registered under this act

- 1 shall make and maintain the accounts, correspondence, memoranda,
- 2 papers, books, and other records required by rule or order of the
- 3 administrator. The records required to be maintained under this
- 4 subsection shall be maintained as follows:
- 5 (a) Broker-dealer records may be maintained in any form of
- 6 data storage acceptable under section 17(a) of the securities
- 7 exchange act of 1934, 15 USC 78q, if they are readily accessible
- 8 to the administrator.
- 9 (b) Investment adviser records may be maintained in any form
- 10 of data storage required by rule or order under this act.
- 11 (4) The records of a broker-dealer registered or required to
- 12 be registered under this act and of an investment adviser
- 13 registered or required to be registered under this act are
- 14 subject to reasonable periodic, special, or other audits or
- 15 inspections by a representative of the administrator, in or
- 16 outside of this state, as the administrator considers necessary
- 17 or appropriate in the public interest and for the protection of
- 18 investors. An audit or inspection may be made at any time and
- 19 without prior notice. The administrator may copy and remove for
- 20 audit or inspection copies of all records the administrator
- 21 reasonably considers necessary or appropriate to conduct the
- 22 audit or inspection. The administrator may assess a reasonable
- 23 charge for conducting an audit or inspection under this
- 24 subsection.
- 25 (5) Subject to section 15(h) of the securities exchange act
- 26 of 1934, 15 USC 780, or section 222 of the investment advisers
- 27 act of 1940, 15 USC 80b-18a, a rule or order under this act may

- 1 require a broker-dealer and investment adviser that has custody
- 2 of or discretionary authority over funds or securities of a
- 3 client to obtain insurance or post a bond or other satisfactory
- 4 form of security in an amount established by the administrator by
- 5 rule or order. The administrator may determine the requirements
- 6 of the insurance, bond, or other satisfactory form of security.
- 7 Insurance or a bond or other satisfactory form of security shall
- 8 not be required of a broker-dealer registered under this act
- 9 whose net capital exceeds, or of an investment adviser registered
- 10 under this act whose minimum financial requirements exceed, the
- 11 amounts required by rule or order under this act. The insurance,
- 12 bond, or other satisfactory form of security must permit an
- 13 action by a person to enforce any liability on the insurance,
- 14 bond, or other satisfactory form of security if commenced within
- 15 the time limitations in section 509(10)(b).
- 16 (6) Subject to section 15(h) of the securities exchange act
- 17 of 1934, 15 USC 78o, or section 222 of the investment advisers
- 18 act of 1940, 15 USC 80b-18a, an agent shall not have custody of
- 19 funds or securities of a customer except under the supervision of
- 20 a broker-dealer and an investment adviser representative shall
- 21 not have custody of funds or securities of a client except under
- 22 the supervision of an investment adviser or federal covered
- 23 investment adviser. A rule or order under this act may prohibit,
- 24 limit, or impose conditions on the custody of funds or securities
- 25 of a customer by a broker-dealer and on the custody of securities
- 26 or funds of a client by an investment adviser.
- 27 (7) With respect to an investment adviser registered or

- 1 required to be registered under this act, a rule or order under
- 2 this act may require that information or other record be
- 3 furnished or disseminated to clients or prospective clients in
- 4 this state as necessary or appropriate in the public interest and
- 5 for the protection of investors and advisory clients.
- 6 (8) A rule or order under this act may require an individual
- 7 registered under section 402 or 404 to participate in a
- 8 continuing education program approved by the securities and
- 9 exchange commission and administered by a self-regulatory
- 10 organization or, in the absence of such a program, a rule or
- 11 order under this act may require continuing education for an
- 12 individual registered under section 404.
- Sec. 412. (1) If the administrator finds that the order is
- 14 in the public interest and subsection (4) authorizes the action,
- 15 an order under this act may deny an application or condition or
- 16 limit registration of an applicant to be a broker-dealer, agent,
- 17 investment adviser, or investment adviser representative and, if
- 18 the applicant is a broker-dealer or investment adviser, of a
- 19 partner, officer, or director, or a person having a similar
- 20 status or performing similar functions, or any person directly or
- 21 indirectly in control of the broker-dealer or investment
- 22 adviser.
- 23 (2) If the administrator finds that the order is in the
- 24 public interest and subsection (4) authorizes the action, an
- 25 order under this act may revoke, suspend, condition, or limit the
- 26 registration of a registrant and if the registrant is a
- 27 broker-dealer or investment adviser, of a partner, officer, or

- 1 director, or a person having a similar status or performing
- 2 similar functions, or a person directly or indirectly in control
- 3 of the broker-dealer or investment adviser. However, the
- 4 administrator may not do any of the following:
- 5 (a) Institute a revocation or suspension proceeding under
- 6 this subsection based on an order issued under a law of another
- 7 state that is reported to the administrator or a designee of the
- 8 administrator more than 1 year after the date of the order on
- **9** which it is based.
- 10 (b) Under subsection (4)(e)(i) or (ii), issue an order on the
- 11 basis of an order issued under the securities act of another
- 12 state unless the other order was based on conduct for which
- 13 subsection (4) would authorize the action had the conduct
- 14 occurred in this state.
- 15 (3) If the administrator finds that the order is in the
- **16** public interest and subsection (4)(a) to (f), (i) to (j), or (l)
- 17 to (n) authorizes the action, an order under this act may
- 18 censure, impose a bar, or impose a civil penalty in an amount not
- 19 to exceed a maximum of \$10,000.00 for a single violation or
- 20 \$500,000.00 for more than 1 violation on a registrant and, if the
- 21 registrant is a broker-dealer or investment adviser, on a
- 22 partner, officer, or director, a person having a similar status
- 23 or performing similar functions, or a person directly or
- 24 indirectly in control of the broker-dealer or investment
- 25 adviser.
- 26 (4) A person may be disciplined under subsections (1) to (3)
- 27 if any of the following apply to the person:

- 1 (a) The person filed an application for registration in this
- 2 state under this act or the predecessor act within the previous
- 3 10 years, which, as of the effective date of registration or as
- 4 of any date after filing in the case of an order denying
- 5 effectiveness, was incomplete in any material respect or
- 6 contained a statement that, in light of the circumstances under
- 7 which it was made, was false or misleading with respect to a
- 8 material fact.
- **9** (b) The person willfully violated or willfully failed to
- 10 comply with this act or the predecessor act or a rule adopted or
- 11 order issued under this act or the predecessor act within the
- 12 previous 10 years.
- (c) The person was convicted of any felony or within the
- 14 previous 10 years was convicted of a misdemeanor involving a
- 15 security, a commodity futures or option contract, or an aspect of
- 16 a business involving securities, commodities, investments,
- 17 franchises, insurance, banking, or finance.
- (d) The person is enjoined or restrained by a court of
- 19 competent jurisdiction in an action instituted by the
- 20 administrator under this act or the predecessor act, a state, the
- 21 securities and exchange commission, or the United States from
- 22 engaging in or continuing an act, practice, or course of business
- 23 involving an aspect of a business involving securities,
- 24 commodities, investments, franchises, insurance, banking, or
- 25 finance.
- (e) The person is the subject of an order, issued after
- 27 notice and opportunity for hearing by any of the following:

- 1 (i) The securities or other financial services regulator of a
- 2 state, or the securities and exchange commission or other federal
- 3 agency denying, revoking, barring, or suspending registration as
- 4 a broker-dealer, agent, investment adviser, federal covered
- 5 investment adviser, or investment adviser representative.
- 6 (ii) The securities regulator of a state or the securities
- 7 and exchange commission against a broker-dealer, agent,
- 8 investment adviser, investment adviser representative, or federal
- 9 covered investment adviser.
- 10 (iii) The securities and exchange commission or a
- 11 self-regulatory organization suspending or expelling the
- 12 registrant from membership in a self-regulatory organization.
- 13 (iv) A court adjudicating a United States postal service
- 14 fraud.
- (v) The insurance regulator of a state denying, suspending,
- 16 or revoking the license or registration of an insurance agent.
- (vi) A depository institution or financial services regulator
- 18 suspending or barring the person from the depository institution
- 19 or other financial services business.
- 20 (f) The person is the subject of an adjudication or
- 21 determination, after notice and opportunity for hearing, by the
- 22 securities and exchange commission, the commodity futures trading
- 23 commission, the federal trade commission, a federal depository
- 24 institution regulator, or a depository institution, insurance, or
- 25 other financial services regulator of a state that the person
- 26 willfully violated the securities act of 1933, the securities
- 27 exchange act of 1934, the investment advisers act of 1940, the

- 1 investment company act of 1940, or the commodity exchange act,
- **2** the securities or commodities law of a state, or a federal or
- 3 state law under which a business involving investments,
- 4 franchises, insurance, banking, or finance is regulated.
- 5 (g) The person is insolvent, either because the person's
- 6 liabilities exceed the person's assets or because the person
- 7 cannot meet the person's obligations as they mature. The
- 8 administrator shall not enter an order against an applicant or
- 9 registrant under this subdivision without a finding of insolvency
- 10 as to the applicant or registrant.
- 11 (h) The person refuses to allow or otherwise impedes the
- 12 administrator from conducting an audit or inspection under
- 13 section 411(4) or refuses access to a registrant's office to
- 14 conduct an audit or inspection under section 411(4).
- (i) The person has failed to reasonably supervise an agent,
- 16 investment adviser representative, or other individual, if the
- 17 agent, investment adviser representative, or other individual was
- 18 subject to the person's supervision and committed a violation of
- 19 this act or the predecessor act or a rule adopted or order issued
- 20 under this act or the predecessor act within the previous 10
- 21 years.
- (j) The person has not paid the proper filing fee within 30
- 23 days after having been notified by the administrator of a
- 24 deficiency. The administrator shall vacate an order under this
- 25 paragraph when the deficiency is corrected.
- (k) After notice and opportunity for a hearing, 1 or more of
- 27 the following have occurred within the previous 10 years:

- 1 (i) A court of competent jurisdiction has found the person to
- 2 have willfully violated the laws of a foreign jurisdiction under
- 3 which the business of securities, commodities, investment,
- 4 franchises, insurance, banking, or finance is regulated.
- 5 (ii) The person was found to have been the subject of an
- 6 order of a securities regulator of a foreign jurisdiction
- 7 denying, revoking, or suspending the right to engage in the
- 8 business of securities as a broker-dealer, agent, investment
- 9 adviser, investment adviser representative, or similar person.
- 10 (iii) The person was found to have been suspended or expelled
- 11 from membership by or participation in a securities exchange or
- 12 securities association operating under the securities laws of a
- 13 foreign jurisdiction.
- (l) The person is the subject of a cease and desist order
- 15 issued by the securities and exchange commission or issued under
- 16 the securities, commodities, investment, franchise, banking,
- 17 finance, or insurance laws of a state.
- 18 (m) The person has engaged in dishonest or unethical
- 19 practices in the securities, commodities, investment, franchise,
- 20 banking, finance, or insurance business within the previous 10
- 21 years.
- (n) The person is not qualified on the basis of factors such
- 23 as training, experience, and knowledge of the securities
- 24 business. If an application is made by an agent for a
- 25 broker-dealer that is a member of a self-regulatory organization
- 26 or by an individual for registration as an investment adviser
- 27 representative, a denial order shall not be based on this

- 1 subdivision if the individual has successfully completed all
- **2** examinations required by subsection (5). The administrator may
- 3 require an applicant for registration under section 402 or 404
- 4 who has not been registered in a state within the 2 years
- 5 preceding the filing of an application in this state to
- 6 successfully complete an examination.
- 7 (5) A rule or order under this act may require that an
- 8 examination, including an examination developed or approved by an
- 9 organization of securities regulators, be successfully completed
- 10 by a class of individuals or all individuals. An order under
- 11 this act may waive an examination as to an individual and a rule
- 12 under this act may waive an examination as to a class of
- 13 individuals if the administrator determines that the examination
- 14 is not necessary or appropriate in the public interest and for
- 15 the protection of investors.
- 16 (6) The administrator may suspend or deny an application
- 17 summarily, restrict, condition, limit, or suspend a registration,
- 18 or censure, bar, or impose a civil penalty on a registrant
- 19 pending final determination of an administrative proceeding. On
- 20 the issuance of the order, the administrator shall promptly
- 21 notify each person subject to the order that the order has been
- 22 issued, the reasons for the action, and that, within 15 days
- 23 after the receipt of a request in a record from the person, the
- 24 matter will be scheduled for a hearing. If a hearing is not
- 25 requested by a person subject to the order or is not ordered by
- 26 the administrator within 30 days after the date of service of the
- 27 order, the order is final. If a hearing is requested or ordered,

- 1 the administrator, after notice of and opportunity for hearing to
- 2 each person subject to the order, may modify or vacate the order
- 3 or extend the order until final determination.
- 4 (7) Except under subsection (6), an order shall not be issued
- 5 under this section unless all of the following have occurred:
- 6 (a) Appropriate notice has been given to the applicant or
- 7 registrant.
- 8 (b) Opportunity for hearing has been given to the applicant
- 9 or registrant.
- 10 (c) Findings of fact and conclusions of law have been made on
- 11 the record pursuant to the administrative procedures act of 1969,
- 12 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328.
- 13 (8) A person who controls, directly or indirectly, a person
- 14 not in compliance with this section may be disciplined by order
- 15 of the administrator under subsections (1) to (3) to the same
- 16 extent as the noncomplying person, unless the controlling person
- 17 did not know, and in the exercise of reasonable care could not
- 18 have known, of the existence of conduct that is a basis for
- 19 discipline under this section.
- 20 (9) The administrator shall not institute a proceeding under
- 21 subsection (1), (2), or (3) solely based on material facts
- 22 actually known by the administrator unless an investigation or
- 23 the proceeding is instituted within 1 year after the
- 24 administrator actually knew the material facts.
- 25 Sec. 413. A broker-dealer acting as a finder shall not do
- 26 any of the following:
- 27 (a) Take possession of funds or securities in connection

- 1 with the transaction for which payment is made for services as a
- 2 finder.
- 3 (b) Fail to disclose clearly and conspicuously in writing to
- 4 all persons involved in the transaction as a result of the
- 5 broker-dealer's finding activities before the sale or purchase
- 6 that the person is acting as a finder, any payment for services
- 7 as a finder, the method and amount of payment, and any beneficial
- 8 interest, direct or indirect, of the broker-dealer, or a member
- 9 of the broker-dealer's immediate family if the broker-dealer is
- 10 an individual, in the issue of the securities that are the
- 11 subject of services as a finder.
- 12 (c) Participate in the offer, purchase, or sale of a
- 13 security in violation of section 301. However, if the
- 14 broker-dealer makes a reasonable effort to ascertain if a
- 15 registration has been effected or an exemption order granted in
- 16 this state or to ascertain the basis for an exemption claim and
- 17 does not have knowledge that the proposed transaction would
- 18 violate section 301, the broker-dealer's activities as a finder
- 19 do not violate section 301.
- 20 (d) Participate in the offer, purchase, or sale of a
- 21 security without obtaining information relative to the risks of
- 22 the transaction, the direct or indirect compensation to be
- 23 received by promoters, partners, officers, directors, or their
- 24 affiliates, the financial condition of the issuer, and the use of
- 25 proceeds to be received from investors, or fail to read any
- 26 offering materials obtained. This section does not require
- 27 independent investigation or alteration of offering materials

- 1 furnished to the broker-dealer.
- 2 (e) Fail to inform or otherwise ensure disclosure to all
- 3 persons involved in the transaction as a result of the
- 4 broker-dealer's finding activities of any material information
- 5 which the broker-dealer knows, or in the exercise of reasonable
- 6 care should know based on the information furnished to the
- 7 broker-dealer, is material in making an investment decision,
- 8 until conclusion of the transaction.
- 9 (f) Locate, introduce, or refer persons that the
- 10 broker-dealer knows, or after a reasonable inquiry should know,
- 11 are not suitable investors by reason of their financial
- 12 condition, age, experience, or need to diversify investments.
- 13 ARTICLE 5
- 14 FRAUD AND LIABILITIES
- 15 Sec. 501. It is unlawful for a person, in connection with
- 16 the offer, sale, or purchase of a security, to directly or
- 17 indirectly do any of the following:
- (a) Employ a device, scheme, or artifice to defraud.
- 19 (b) Make an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to
- 20 state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements
- 21 made, in the light of the circumstances under which they were
- 22 made, not misleading.
- 23 (c) Engage in an act, practice, or course of business that
- 24 operates or would operate as a fraud or deceit on another
- 25 person.
- 26 Sec. 502. (1) It is unlawful for a person that advises
- 27 others for compensation, either directly or indirectly or through

- 1 publications or writings, as to the value of securities or the
- 2 advisability of investing in, purchasing, or selling securities,
- 3 or that, for compensation and as part of a regular business,
- 4 issues or promulgates analyses or reports relating to securities,
- 5 to do any of the following:
- **6** (a) Employ a device, scheme, or artifice to defraud another
- 7 person.
- 8 (b) Engage in an act, practice, or course of business that
- 9 operates or would operate as a fraud or deceit upon another
- 10 person.
- 11 (2) An investment adviser acting as a finder shall not do any
- 12 of the following:
- 13 (a) Take possession of funds or securities in connection with
- 14 the transaction for which payment is made for services as a
- 15 finder.
- 16 (b) Fail to disclose clearly and conspicuously in writing to
- 17 all persons involved in the transaction as a result of his or her
- 18 finding activities before the sale or purchase that the person is
- 19 acting as a finder, any payment for services as a finder, the
- 20 method and amount of payment, as well as any beneficial interest,
- 21 direct or indirect, of the finder or a member of the finder's
- 22 immediate family in the issue of the securities that are the
- 23 subject of services as a finder.
- (c) Participate in the offer, purchase, or sale of a security
- 25 in violation of section 301. However, if the investment adviser
- 26 makes a reasonable effort to ascertain if a registration has been
- 27 effected or an exemption order granted in this state or to

- 1 ascertain the basis for an exemption claim and does not have
- 2 knowledge that the proposed transaction would violate section
- 3 301, his or her activities as a finder do not violate section
- **4** 301.
- 5 (d) Participate in the offer, purchase, or sale of a security
- 6 without obtaining information relative to the risks of the
- 7 transaction, the direct or indirect compensation to be received
- 8 by promoters, partners, officers, directors, or their affiliates,
- 9 the financial condition of the issuer, and the use of proceeds to
- 10 be received from investors, or fail to read any offering
- 11 materials obtained. This subdivision does not require
- 12 independent investigation or alteration of offering materials
- 13 furnished to the finder.
- 14 (e) Fail to inform or otherwise ensure disclosure to all
- 15 persons involved in the transaction as a result of his or her
- 16 finding activities of any material information which the finder
- 17 knows, or in the exercise of reasonable care should know based on
- 18 the information furnished to him or her, is material in making an
- 19 investment decision, until conclusion of the transaction. This
- 20 subdivision does not require the finder to independently generate
- 21 information.
- 22 (f) Locate, introduce, or refer persons that the finder
- 23 knows, or after a reasonable inquiry should know, are not
- 24 suitable investors by reason of their financial condition, age,
- 25 experience, or need to diversify investments.
- 26 (3) A rule under this act may do any of the following:
- 27 (a) Define an act, practice, or course of business of an

- 1 investment adviser or an investment adviser representative, other
- 2 than a supervised person of a federal covered investment adviser,
- 3 as fraudulent, deceptive, or manipulative, and prescribe means
- 4 reasonably designed to prevent investment advisers and investment
- 5 adviser representatives, other than supervised persons of a
- 6 federal covered investment adviser, from engaging in acts,
- 7 practices, and courses of business defined as fraudulent,
- 8 deceptive, or manipulative.
- 9 (b) Specify the contents of an investment advisory contract
- 10 entered into, extended, or renewed by an investment adviser.
- 11 Sec. 503. (1) In a civil action or administrative
- 12 proceeding under this act, a person claiming an exemption,
- 13 exception, preemption, or exclusion has the burden to prove the
- 14 applicability of the exemption, exception, preemption, or
- 15 exclusion.
- 16 (2) In a criminal proceeding under this act, a person
- 17 claiming an exemption, exception, preemption, or exclusion has
- 18 the burden of going forward with evidence of the claim.
- 19 Sec. 504. (1) Subject to subsection (2), a rule or order
- 20 under this act may require the filing of a prospectus, pamphlet,
- 21 circular, form letter, advertisement, sales literature, or other
- 22 advertising record relating to a security or investment advice
- 23 addressed or intended for distribution to prospective investors,
- 24 including clients or prospective clients of a person registered
- 25 or required to be registered as an investment adviser under this
- 26 act.
- 27 (2) This section does not apply to sales and advertising

- 1 literature specified in subsection (1) relating to a federal
- 2 covered security, a federal covered investment adviser, or a
- 3 security or transaction exempted by section 201, 202, or 203
- 4 except as required under section 201(g).
- 5 Sec. 505. A person shall not make or cause to be made, in a
- 6 record that is used in an action or proceeding or filed under
- 7 this act, a statement that, at the time and in the light of the
- 8 circumstances under which it is made, is false or misleading in a
- 9 material respect, or, in connection with the statement, omit to
- 10 state a material fact necessary to make the statement made, in
- 11 the light of the circumstances under which it was made, not false
- 12 or misleading.
- 13 Sec. 506. The filing of an application for registration, a
- 14 registration statement, a notice filing under this act, or the
- 15 registration of a person, the notice filing by a person, or the
- 16 registration of a security under this act does not constitute a
- 17 finding by the administrator that a record filed under this act
- 18 is true, complete, and not misleading. The filing or
- 19 registration or the availability of an exemption, exception,
- 20 preemption, or exclusion for a security or a transaction does not
- 21 mean that the administrator has passed upon the merits or
- 22 qualifications of, or recommended or given approval to, a person,
- 23 security, or transaction. A person shall not make or cause to be
- 24 made to a purchaser, customer, client, or prospective customer or
- 25 client a representation inconsistent with this section.
- Sec. 507. A broker-dealer, agent, investment adviser,
- 27 federal covered investment adviser, or investment adviser

- 1 representative is not liable to another broker-dealer, agent,
- 2 investment adviser, federal covered investment adviser, or
- 3 investment adviser representative for defamation relating to a
- 4 statement that is contained in a record required by the
- 5 administrator, or designee of the administrator, the securities
- 6 and exchange commission, or a self-regulatory organization,
- 7 unless the person knew, or should have known at the time that the
- 8 statement was made, that it was false in a material respect or
- 9 the person acted in reckless disregard of the statement's truth
- 10 or falsity.
- 11 Sec. 508. (1) A person that willfully violates this act or
- 12 a rule adopted or order issued under this act, except section 504
- 13 or the notice filing requirements of section 302 or 405, or that
- 14 willfully violates section 505 knowing the statement made to be
- 15 false or misleading in a material respect, is guilty of a felony
- 16 punishable by imprisonment for not more than 10 years or a fine
- 17 of not more than \$500,000.00 for each violation, or both. An
- 18 individual convicted of violating a rule or order under this act
- 19 may be fined, but shall not be imprisoned, if the individual did
- 20 not have knowledge of the rule or order.
- 21 (2) The attorney general or the proper prosecuting attorney
- 22 may institute appropriate criminal proceedings under this act
- 23 with or without a reference from the administrator.
- 24 (3) This act does not limit the power of this state to punish
- 25 a person for conduct that constitutes a crime under other laws of
- 26 this state.
- 27 Sec. 509. (1) Enforcement of civil liability under this

- 1 section is subject to the securities litigation uniform standards
- 2 act of 1998.
- 3 (2) A person is liable to the purchaser if the person sells a
- 4 security in violation of section 301, or by means of an untrue
- 5 statement of a material fact or an omission to state a material
- 6 fact necessary in order to make the statement made, in light of
- 7 the circumstances under which it is made, not misleading, the
- 8 purchaser not knowing the untruth or omission, and the seller not
- 9 sustaining the burden of proof that the seller did not know and,
- 10 in the exercise of reasonable care, could not have known of the
- 11 untruth or omission. All of the following apply to an action
- 12 under this subsection:
- 13 (a) The purchaser may maintain an action to recover the
- 14 consideration paid for the security, less the amount of any
- 15 income received on the security, and interest at 6% per year from
- 16 the date of the purchase, costs, and reasonable attorney fees
- 17 determined by the court, upon the tender of the security, or for
- 18 actual damages as provided in subdivision (c).
- 19 (b) The tender referred to in subdivision (a) may be made any
- 20 time before entry of judgment. Tender requires only notice in a
- 21 record of ownership of the security and willingness to exchange
- 22 the security for the amount specified. A purchaser that no
- 23 longer owns the security may recover actual damages as provided
- 24 in subdivision (c).
- 25 (c) Actual damages in an action arising under this subsection
- 26 are the amount that would be recoverable upon a tender less the
- 27 value of the security when the purchaser disposed of it and

- 1 interest at 6% from the date of purchase, costs, and reasonable
- 2 attorney fees determined by the court.
- 3 (3) A person is liable to the seller if the person buys a
- 4 security by means of an untrue statement of a material fact or
- 5 omission to state a material fact necessary in order to make the
- 6 statement made, in light of the circumstances under which it is
- 7 made, not misleading, if the seller did not know of the untruth
- 8 or omission and the purchaser does not sustain the burden of
- 9 proving that the purchaser did not know, and in the exercise of
- 10 reasonable care could not have known, of the untruth or
- 11 omission. All of the following apply to an action under this
- 12 subsection:
- 13 (a) The seller may maintain an action to recover the
- 14 security, any income received on the security, costs, and
- 15 reasonable attorney fees determined by the court, on the tender
- 16 of the purchase price, or for actual damages as provided in
- 17 subdivision (c).
- 18 (b) The tender referred to in subdivision (a) may be made any
- 19 time before entry of judgment. Tender requires only notice in a
- 20 record of the present ability to pay the amount tendered and
- 21 willingness to take delivery of the security for the amount
- 22 specified. If the purchaser no longer owns the security, the
- 23 seller may recover actual damages as provided in subdivision
- 24 (c).
- 25 (c) Actual damages in an action arising under this subsection
- 26 are the difference between the price at which the security was
- 27 sold and the value the security would have had at the time of the

- 1 sale in the absence of the purchaser's conduct causing liability,
- 2 interest at 6% from the date of sale of the security, costs, and
- 3 reasonable attorney fees determined by the court.
- 4 (4) A person acting as a broker-dealer or agent that sells or
- 5 buys a security in violation of section 401(1), 402(1), or 506 is
- 6 liable to the customer. The customer, if a purchaser, may
- 7 maintain an action for recovery of actual damages as specified in
- 8 subsection (2) or, if a seller, a remedy as specified in
- 9 subsection (3).
- 10 (5) A person acting as an investment adviser or investment
- 11 adviser representative that provides investment advice for
- 12 compensation in violation of section 403(1), 404(1), or 506 is
- 13 liable to the client. The client may maintain an action at law
- 14 or in equity to recover the consideration paid for the advice,
- 15 interest at 6% from the date of payment, costs, and reasonable
- 16 attorney fees determined by the court.
- 17 (6) A person that receives, directly or indirectly, any
- 18 consideration for providing investment advice to another person
- 19 and that employs a device, scheme, or artifice to defraud the
- 20 other person or engages in an act, practice, or course of
- 21 business that operates or would operate as a fraud or deceit on
- 22 the other person is liable to the other person. The person
- 23 defrauded may maintain an action to recover the consideration
- 24 paid for the advice and the amount of any actual damages caused
- 25 by the fraudulent conduct that gives rise to liability under this
- 26 subsection, interest at 6% from the date of the fraudulent
- 27 conduct, costs, and reasonable attorney fees determined by the

- 1 court, less the amount of any income received as a result of the
- 2 fraudulent conduct. This subsection does not apply to a
- 3 broker-dealer or its agents if the investment advice provided is
- 4 solely incidental to transacting business as a broker-dealer and
- 5 no special compensation is received for the investment advice.
- **6** (7) The following persons are liable jointly and severally
- 7 with and to the same extent as persons liable under subsections
- 8 (2) to (6):
- 9 (a) A person that directly or indirectly controls a person
- 10 liable under subsections (2) to (6), unless the controlling
- 11 person sustains the burden of proving that the controlling person
- 12 did not know, and in the exercise of reasonable care could not
- 13 have known, of the existence of the conduct by reason of which
- 14 the liability is alleged to exist.
- 15 (b) An individual who is a managing partner, executive
- 16 officer, or director of a person liable under subsections (2) to
- 17 (6), including each individual having a similar status or
- 18 performing similar functions, unless the individual sustains the
- 19 burden of proving that the individual did not know and, in the
- 20 exercise of reasonable care could not have known, of the
- 21 existence of the conduct by reason of which the liability is
- 22 alleged to exist.
- (c) An individual who is an employee of or associated with a
- 24 person liable under subsections (2) to (6) and who materially
- 25 aids the conduct giving rise to the liability, unless the
- 26 individual sustains the burden of proving that the individual did
- 27 not know and, in the exercise of reasonable care could not have

- 1 known, of the existence of the conduct by reason of which the
- 2 liability is alleged to exist.
- 3 (d) A person that is a broker-dealer, agent, investment
- 4 adviser, or investment adviser representative that materially
- 5 aids the conduct giving rise to the liability under subsections
- 6 (2) to (6), unless the person sustains the burden of proving that
- 7 the person did not know and, in the exercise of reasonable care
- 8 could not have known, of the existence of the conduct by reason
- 9 of which liability is alleged to exist.
- 10 (8) A person liable under this section has a right of
- 11 contribution as in cases of contract against any other person
- 12 liable under this section for the same conduct.
- 13 (9) A cause of action under this section survives the death
- 14 of an individual who might have been a plaintiff or defendant.
- 15 (10) A person may not obtain relief if an action is not
- 16 commenced within 1 of the following time limits, as applicable:
- 17 (a) Under subsection (2) for violation of section 301, or
- 18 under subsection (4) or (5), unless the action is commenced
- 19 within 1 year after the violation occurred.
- 20 (b) Under subsection (2), other than for violation of section
- 21 301, or under subsection (3) or (6), unless the action is
- 22 commenced within the earlier of 2 years after discovery of the
- 23 facts constituting the violation or 5 years after the violation
- 24 occurred.
- 25 (11) A person that has made or engaged in the performance of
- 26 a contract in violation of this act or a rule adopted or order
- 27 issued under this act, or that has acquired a purported right

- 1 under the contract with knowledge of the facts by reason of which
- 2 its making or performance was in violation of this act, may not
- 3 base an action on the contract.
- 4 (12) A condition, stipulation, or provision binding a person
- 5 purchasing or selling a security or receiving investment advice
- 6 to waive compliance with this act or a rule adopted or order
- 7 issued under this act is void.
- 8 (13) The rights and remedies provided by this act are in
- 9 addition to any other rights or remedies that may exist, but this
- 10 act does not create a cause of action not specified in this
- 11 section or section 411(5).
- 12 Sec. 510. A purchaser, seller, or recipient of investment
- 13 advice may not maintain an action under section 509 if all of the
- 14 following are met:
- 15 (a) The purchaser, seller, or recipient of investment advice
- 16 receives in a record, before the action is commenced, an offer
- 17 that does all of the following:
- 18 (i) States the respect in which liability under section 509
- 19 may have arisen and fairly advises the purchaser, seller, or
- 20 recipient of investment advice of that person's rights in
- 21 connection with the offer, including financial or other
- 22 information necessary to correct all material misstatements or
- 23 omissions in the information that was required by this act to be
- 24 furnished to that person at the time of the purchase, sale, or
- 25 investment advice.
- 26 (ii) If the basis for relief under this section may have been
- 27 a violation of section 509(2), offers to repurchase the security

- 1 for cash, payable on delivery of the security, equal to the
- 2 consideration paid, and interest at 6% per year from the date of
- 3 purchase, less the amount of any income received on the security,
- 4 or, if the purchaser no longer owns the security, offers to pay
- 5 the purchaser upon acceptance of the offer damages in an amount
- 6 that would be recoverable upon a tender, less the value of the
- 7 security when the purchaser disposed of it, and interest at 6%
- 8 from the date of purchase in cash equal to the damages computed
- 9 in the manner provided in this subsection.
- 10 (iii) If the basis for relief under this section may have
- 11 been a violation of section 509(3), offers to tender the
- 12 security, on payment by the seller of an amount equal to the
- 13 purchase price paid, less income received on the security by the
- 14 purchaser and interest at 6% from the date of the sale, or if the
- 15 purchaser no longer owns the security, offers to pay the seller
- 16 upon acceptance of the offer, in cash, damages in the amount of
- 17 the difference between the price at which the security was
- 18 purchased and the value the security would have had at the time
- 19 of the purchase in the absence of the purchaser's conduct that
- 20 may have caused liability and interest at 6% from the date of the
- **21** sale.
- 22 (iv) If the basis for relief under this section may have been
- 23 a violation of section 509(4), and if the customer is a
- **24** purchaser, offers to pay as specified in subdivision (a)(ii) or,
- 25 if the customer is a seller, offers to tender or to pay as
- 26 specified in subdivision (a)(iii).
- (v) If the basis for relief under this section may have been

- 1 a violation of section 509(5), offers to reimburse in cash the
- 2 consideration paid for the advice and interest at 6% from the
- 3 date of payment.
- $\mathbf{4}$ (vi) If the basis for relief under this section may have been
- 5 a violation of section 509(6), offers to reimburse in cash the
- 6 consideration paid for the advice and the amount of any actual
- 7 damages that may have been caused by the conduct, and interest at
- 8 6% from the date of the violation causing the loss.
- 9 (vii) States that the offer must be accepted by the
- 10 purchaser, seller, or recipient of investment advice within 30
- 11 days after the date of its receipt by the purchaser, seller, or
- 12 recipient of investment advice or within a shorter period of not
- 13 less than 3 days that the administrator, by order, specifies.
- 14 (b) The offeror has the present ability to pay the amount
- 15 offered or to tender the security under subdivision (a).
- 16 (c) The offer under subdivision (a) is delivered to the
- 17 purchaser, seller, or recipient of investment advice or sent in a
- 18 manner that ensures receipt by the purchaser, seller, or
- 19 recipient of investment advice.
- 20 (d) The purchaser, seller, or recipient of investment advice
- 21 that accepts the offer under subdivision (a) in a record within
- 22 the period specified under subdivision (a)(vii) is paid in
- 23 accordance with the terms of the offer.
- 24 ARTICLE 6
- 25 ADMINISTRATION AND JUDICIAL REVIEW
- 26 Sec. 601. (1) The administrator shall administer this act.
- 27 (2) The administrator or officer, employee, or designee of

- 1 the administrator shall not use for personal benefit or the
- 2 benefit of others records or other information obtained by or
- 3 filed with the administrator that are not public under section
- 4 607(2). This act does not authorize the administrator or an
- 5 officer, employee, or designee of the administrator to disclose
- 6 the record or information, except in accordance with section 602,
- **7** 607(3), or 608.
- 8 (3) This act does not create or diminish any privilege or
- 9 exemption that exists at common law, by statute, by rule, or
- 10 otherwise.
- 11 (4) The administrator may develop and implement investor
- 12 education initiatives to inform the public about investing in
- 13 securities, with particular emphasis on the prevention and
- 14 detection of securities fraud. In developing and implementing
- 15 these initiatives, the administrator may collaborate with public
- 16 and nonprofit organizations with an interest in investor
- 17 education. The administrator may accept grants or donations from
- 18 a person that is not affiliated with the securities industry or
- 19 from a nonprofit organization, regardless of whether or not the
- 20 organization is affiliated with the securities industry, to
- 21 develop and implement investor education initiatives. This
- 22 subsection does not authorize the administrator to require
- 23 participation or monetary contributions of a registrant in an
- 24 investor education program.
- 25 (5) All fees and civil fines received under this act shall be
- 26 deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the
- 27 administrator, to be used pursuant to legislative appropriation

- 1 by the administrator in carrying out those duties required by
- 2 law. After the payment of the amounts appropriated by the
- 3 legislature for the necessary expenses incurred in the
- 4 administration of this act, the money remaining shall be credited
- 5 to the general fund of this state.
- 6 Sec. 602. (1) The administrator may do any of the
- 7 following:
- 8 (a) Conduct public or private investigations in or out of
- 9 this state that the administrator considers necessary or
- 10 appropriate to determine whether any person has violated, is
- 11 violating, or is about to violate this act or a rule adopted or
- 12 order issued under this act, or to aid in the enforcement of this
- 13 act or the adoption of rules and forms under this act.
- (b) Require or permit a person to testify, file a statement,
- 15 or produce a record, under oath or otherwise as the administrator
- 16 determines, as to all the facts and circumstances concerning a
- 17 matter to be investigated or about which an action or proceeding
- 18 is to be commenced.
- 19 (c) Publish a record concerning an action, proceeding, or
- 20 investigation under, or a violation of, this act or a rule
- 21 adopted or order issued under this act if the administrator
- 22 determines it is necessary or appropriate in the public interest
- 23 and for the protection of investors.
- 24 (2) For the purpose of an investigation under this act, the
- 25 administrator or a designated officer may administer oaths and
- 26 affirmations, subpoena witnesses, seek compulsion of attendance,
- 27 take evidence, require the filing of statements, and require the

- 1 production of any records that the administrator considers
- 2 relevant or material to the investigation.
- 3 (3) If a person fails to appear or refuses to testify, file a
- 4 statement, produce records, or otherwise fails to obey a subpoena
- 5 as required by the administrator under this act, the
- 6 administrator may refer the matter to the attorney general or the
- 7 proper prosecuting attorney, who may apply to the circuit court
- 8 of Ingham county or a court of another state to enforce
- 9 compliance. The court may do any of the following:
- 10 (a) Hold the person in contempt.
- 11 (b) Order the person to appear before the administrator.
- 12 (c) Order the person to testify about the matter under
- 13 investigation or in question.
- 14 (d) Order the production of records.
- (e) Grant injunctive relief, including restricting or
- 16 prohibiting the offer or sale of securities or the providing of
- 17 investment advice.
- 18 (f) Order a civil fine of not less than \$10,000.00 and not
- 19 more than \$500,000.00 for each violation.
- 20 (g) Grant any other necessary or appropriate relief.
- 21 (4) This section does not preclude a person from applying to
- 22 the circuit court of Ingham county or a court of another state
- 23 for appropriate relief from a request to appear, testify, file a
- 24 statement, produce records, or obey a subpoena.
- (5) An individual is not excused from attending, testifying,
- 26 filing a statement, producing a record or other evidence, or
- 27 obeying a subpoena of the administrator under this act or in an

- 1 action commenced or proceeding instituted by the administrator
- 2 under this act on the ground that the required testimony,
- 3 statement, record, or other evidence, directly or indirectly, may
- 4 tend to incriminate the individual or subject the individual to a
- 5 criminal fine, penalty, or forfeiture. If the individual refuses
- 6 to testify, file a statement, or produce a record or other
- 7 evidence on the basis of the individual's privilege against
- 8 self-incrimination, the administrator may apply to the circuit
- 9 court to compel the testimony, the filing of the statement, the
- 10 production of the record, or the giving of other evidence. The
- 11 testimony, record, or other information compelled under a court
- 12 order obtained under this subsection shall not be used, directly
- 13 or indirectly, against the individual in a criminal case, except
- 14 in a prosecution for perjury, contempt, or otherwise failing to
- 15 comply with the order.
- 16 (6) At the request of the securities regulator of another
- 17 state or a foreign jurisdiction, the administrator may provide
- 18 assistance if the requesting regulator states that it is
- 19 conducting an investigation to determine whether a person has
- 20 violated, is violating, or is about to violate a law or rule of
- 21 the other state or foreign jurisdiction relating to securities
- 22 matters which the requesting regulator administers or enforces.
- 23 The administrator may provide the assistance by using the
- 24 authority to investigate and the powers conferred by this section
- 25 as the administrator determines is necessary or appropriate. The
- 26 assistance may be provided without regard to whether the conduct
- 27 described in the request would also constitute a violation of

- 1 this act or other law of this state if occurring in this state.
- 2 In deciding whether to provide the assistance, the administrator
- 3 may consider whether the requesting regulator is permitted and
- 4 has agreed to provide assistance reciprocally within its state or
- 5 foreign jurisdiction to the administrator on securities matters
- 6 when requested, whether compliance with the request would violate
- 7 or prejudice the public policy of this state, and the
- 8 availability of resources and employees of the administrator to
- 9 carry out the request for assistance.
- 10 Sec. 603. (1) If it appears to the administrator that a
- 11 person has engaged, is engaging, or is about to engage in an act,
- 12 practice, or course of business constituting a violation of this
- 13 act or a rule adopted or order issued under this act, or that a
- 14 person has, is, or is about to engage in an act, practice, or
- 15 course of business that materially aids a violation of this act
- 16 or a rule adopted or order issued under this act, the
- 17 administrator may maintain an action in the circuit court to
- 18 enjoin the act, practice, or course of business and to enforce
- 19 compliance with this act or a rule adopted or order issued under
- 20 this act.
- 21 (2) In an action under this section and upon a proper
- 22 showing, the court may do any of the following:
- 23 (a) Issue a permanent or temporary injunction, restraining
- 24 order, or a declaratory judgment.
- (b) Issue an order for other appropriate or ancillary relief,
- 26 including any of the following:
- 27 (i) An asset freeze, accounting, writ of attachment, writ of

- 1 general or specific execution, and an appointment of a receiver
- 2 or conservator, which may be the administrator, for the defendant
- **3** or the defendant's assets.
- 4 (ii) An order to the administrator to take charge and control
- 5 of a defendant's property, including investment accounts and
- 6 accounts in a depository institution, rents, and profits, to
- 7 collect debts, and to acquire and dispose of property.
- **8** (iii) The imposition of a civil fine of not more than
- **9** \$10,000.00 for a single violation or \$500,000.00 for multiple
- 10 violations.
- 11 (iv) An order of rescission, restitution, or disgorgement
- 12 directed to a person that has engaged in an act, practice, or
- 13 course of business constituting a violation of this act or the
- 14 predecessor act or a rule adopted or order issued under this act
- 15 or the predecessor act.
- 16 (v) An order for the payment of prejudgment and postjudgment
- 17 interest.
- (c) Granting other relief that the court considers
- 19 appropriate.
- 20 (3) The administrator shall not be required to post a bond in
- 21 an action under this section.
- Sec. 604. (1) If the administrator determines that a person
- 23 has engaged, is engaging, or is about to engage in an act,
- 24 practice, or course of business constituting a violation of this
- 25 act or a rule adopted or order issued under this act, or that a
- 26 person has materially aided, is materially aiding, or is about to
- 27 materially aid an act, practice, or course of business

- 1 constituting a violation of this act or a rule adopted or order
- 2 issued under this act, the administrator may do 1 or more of the
- 3 following:
- 4 (a) Issue an order directing the person to cease and desist
- 5 from engaging in the act, practice, or course of business or to
- 6 take other action necessary or appropriate to comply with this
- 7 act.
- 8 (b) Issue an order denying, suspending, revoking, or
- 9 conditioning the exemptions for a broker-dealer under section
- 10 401(2)(a)(iv) or (vi) or an investment adviser under section
- **11** 403(2)(a)(*iii*).
- 12 (c) Issue an order under section 204.
- 13 (2) An order under subsection (1) is effective on the date of
- 14 issuance. Upon issuance of the order, the administrator shall
- 15 promptly serve each person subject to the order with a copy of
- 16 the order and a notice that the order has been entered. The
- 17 order must include a statement of any civil penalty or costs of
- 18 the investigation the administrator will seek, a statement of the
- 19 reasons for the order, and notice that the matter will be
- 20 scheduled for a hearing within 15 days after receipt of a request
- 21 in a record from the person. If a person subject to the order
- 22 does not request a hearing and none is ordered by the
- 23 administrator within 30 days after the date of service of the
- 24 order, the order, including any civil penalty imposed or
- 25 requirement for payment of the costs of investigation sought in a
- 26 statement in that order, becomes final as to that person by
- 27 operation of law. If a hearing is requested or ordered, the

- 1 administrator, after notice of and opportunity for hearing to
- 2 each person subject to the order, may modify or vacate the order
- 3 or extend it until final determination.
- 4 (3) If a hearing is requested or ordered pursuant to
- 5 subsection (2), the hearing shall be held pursuant to the
- 6 administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to
- 7 24.328. A final order shall not be issued unless the
- 8 administrator makes findings of fact and conclusions of law on
- 9 the record pursuant to the administrative procedures act of 1969,
- 10 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328. The final order may make
- 11 final, vacate, or modify the order issued under subsection (1).
- 12 (4) In a final order, the administrator may impose a civil
- 13 fine of not more than \$10,000.00 for a single violation or
- 14 \$500,000.00 for multiple violations.
- 15 (5) In a final order, the administrator may charge the actual
- 16 cost of an investigation or proceeding for a violation of this
- 17 act or a rule adopted or order issued under this act.
- 18 (6) If a petition for judicial review of a final order is not
- 19 filed in accordance with section 609, the administrator may file
- 20 a certified copy of the final order with the clerk of a court of
- 21 competent jurisdiction. The filed order shall have the same
- 22 effect as a judgment of the court and may be recorded, enforced,
- 23 or satisfied in the same manner as a judgment of the court.
- 24 (7) If a person fails to comply with an order under this
- 25 section, the administrator may petition a court of competent
- 26 jurisdiction to enforce the order. The court shall not require
- 27 the administrator to post a bond. If the court finds, after

- 1 service and opportunity for hearing, that the person is not in
- 2 compliance with the order, the court may adjudge the person in
- 3 civil contempt of the order. The court may impose an additional
- 4 civil penalty against the person for contempt in an amount not
- 5 less than \$10,000.00 or more than \$500,000.00 for each violation
- 6 and may grant any other relief the court determines is just and
- 7 proper in the circumstances.
- 8 Sec. 605. (1) The administrator may do any of the
- 9 following:
- 10 (a) Issue forms and orders and, after notice and comment, may
- 11 adopt and amend rules necessary or appropriate to carry out this
- 12 act, and may repeal rules, including rules and forms governing
- 13 registration statements, applications, notice filings, reports,
- 14 and other records.
- 15 (b) By rule, define terms, whether or not used in this act,
- 16 if the definitions are not inconsistent with this act.
- 17 (c) By rule, classify securities, persons, and transactions
- 18 and adopt different requirements for different classes.
- 19 (2) A rule or form shall not be adopted or amended or an
- 20 order issued or amended under this act unless the administrator
- 21 finds that the rule, form, order, or amendment is necessary or
- 22 appropriate in the public interest or for the protection of
- 23 investors and is consistent with the purposes intended by this
- 24 act. In adopting, amending, and repealing rules and forms,
- 25 section 608 applies in order to achieve uniformity among the
- 26 states and coordination with federal laws in the form and content
- 27 of registration statements, applications, reports, and other

- 1 records, including in the adoption of uniform rules, forms, and
- 2 procedures.
- 3 (3) Subject to section 15(h) of the securities exchange act
- 4 of 1934, 15 USC 78o, and section 222 of the investment advisers
- 5 act of 1940, 15 USC 80b-18a, the administrator may require that a
- 6 financial statement filed under this act be prepared in
- 7 accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the
- 8 United States and comply with other requirements specified by
- **9** rule or order under this act. A rule or order under this act may
- 10 establish any of the following:
- 11 (a) Subject to section 15(h) of the securities exchange act
- 12 of 1934, 15 USC 78o, and section 222 of the investment advisers
- 13 act of 1940, 15 USC 80b-18a, the form and content of financial
- 14 statements required under this act.
- 15 (b) Whether unconsolidated financial statements must be
- 16 filed.
- 17 (c) Whether required financial statements must be audited by
- 18 an independent certified public accountant.
- 19 (4) The administrator may provide interpretative opinions or
- 20 issue determinations that the administrator will not institute a
- 21 proceeding or an action under this act against a specified person
- 22 for engaging in a specified act, practice, or course of business
- 23 if the determination is consistent with this act. A rule or
- 24 order under this act may charge a reasonable fee for
- 25 interpretative opinions or determinations that the administrator
- 26 will not institute an action or a proceeding under this act.
- 27 (5) A penalty under this act shall not be imposed and

- 1 liability does not arise for conduct that is engaged in or
- 2 omitted in good faith conformity with a rule, form, or order of
- 3 the administrator under this act.
- 4 (6) A hearing in an administrative proceeding under this act
- 5 shall be conducted in public unless the administrator for good
- 6 cause consistent with the purposes intended by this act
- 7 determines that the hearing not be public.
- 8 Sec. 606. (1) The administrator shall maintain, or
- 9 designate a person to maintain, a register of all applications
- 10 for registration of securities; registration statements; notice
- 11 filings, applications for registration of broker-dealers, agents,
- 12 investment advisers, and investment adviser representatives;
- 13 notice filings by federal covered investment advisers that are or
- 14 have been effective under this act or the predecessor act;
- 15 notices of claims of exemption from registration or notice filing
- 16 requirements contained in a record; orders issued under this act
- 17 or the predecessor act; and interpretative opinions or no-action
- 18 determinations issued under this act.
- 19 (2) The administrator shall make all rules, forms,
- 20 interpretative opinions, and orders available to the public.
- 21 (3) Upon request, the administrator shall furnish to a person
- 22 a copy of a record that is a public record or a certification
- 23 that the public record does not exist. A rule under this act may
- 24 establish a reasonable charge for furnishing the record. A copy
- 25 of the record certified or a certificate of its nonexistence by
- 26 the administrator is prima facie evidence of a record or its
- 27 nonexistence.

- 1 Sec. 607. (1) Subject to subsection (2), records obtained
- 2 by the administrator or filed under this act, including a record
- 3 contained in or filed with any registration statement,
- 4 application, notice filing, or report, are public records and are
- 5 available for public examination.
- **6** (2) The following records are not public records and are not
- 7 available for public examination under subsection (1):
- 8 (a) A record obtained by the administrator in connection with
- 9 an audit or inspection under section 411(4) or an investigation
- 10 under section 602.
- 11 (b) A part of a report filed in connection with a
- 12 registration statement under sections 301 and 303 through 305, or
- 13 a record under section 411(4), that contains trade secrets or
- 14 confidential information when the person filing the registration
- 15 statement or report has asserted a claim of confidentiality or
- 16 privilege that is authorized by law.
- 17 (c) A record that is not required to be provided to the
- 18 administrator or filed under this act and is provided to the
- 19 administrator only on the condition that the record will not be
- 20 subject to public examination or disclosure.
- 21 (d) A nonpublic record received from a person specified in
- 22 section 608.
- 23 (e) Any social security number, residential address unless
- 24 used as a business address, or residential telephone number
- 25 unless used as a business telephone number contained in a record
- 26 that is filed.
- 27 (f) A record obtained by the administrator through a designee

- 1 of the administrator that is determined by a rule or order under
- 2 this act to have been either of the following:
- 3 (i) Appropriately expunded from the administrator's records
- 4 by that designee.
- $\mathbf{5}$ (ii) Appropriately determined to be nonpublic or
- 6 nondisclosable by that designee if the administrator finds that
- 7 this is in the public interest and for the protection of
- 8 investors.
- 9 (3) The administrator may disclose a record obtained in
- 10 connection with an audit or inspection under section 411(4) or a
- 11 record obtained in connection with an investigation under section
- 12 602 if disclosure is for the purpose of a civil, administrative,
- 13 or criminal investigation, action, or proceeding or to a person
- 14 specified in section 608(1).
- 15 Sec. 608. (1) The administrator shall, in its discretion,
- 16 cooperate, coordinate, consult, and, subject to section 607,
- 17 share records and information with the securities regulators of 1
- 18 or more states, Canada or 1 or more of its provinces or
- 19 territories, 1 or more foreign jurisdictions, the securities and
- 20 exchange commission, the United States department of justice, the
- 21 commodity futures trading commission, the federal trade
- 22 commission, the securities investor protection corporation, a
- 23 self-regulatory organization, a national or international
- 24 organization of securities regulators, federal or state banking
- 25 and insurance regulators, and any governmental law enforcement
- 26 agency, in order to effectuate greater uniformity in securities
- 27 matters among the federal government, self-regulatory

- 1 organizations, and state and foreign governments.
- 2 (2) In cooperating, coordinating, consulting, and sharing
- 3 records and information under this section and in acting by rule,
- 4 order, or waiver under this act, the administrator shall, in the
- 5 discretion of the administrator, take into consideration in
- 6 carrying out the public interest the following general policies:
- 7 (a) Maximizing effectiveness of regulation for the protection
- 8 of investors.
- **9** (b) Maximizing uniformity in federal and state regulatory
- 10 standards.
- 11 (c) Minimizing burdens on the business of capital formation,
- 12 without adversely affecting essentials of investor protection.
- 13 (3) The cooperation, coordination, consultation, and sharing
- 14 of records and information authorized by this section includes:
- 15 (a) Establishing or employing 1 or more designees as a
- 16 central depository for registration and notice filings under this
- 17 act and for records required or allowed to be maintained under
- 18 this act.
- 19 (b) Developing and maintaining uniform forms.
- (c) Conducting a joint examination or investigation.
- 21 (d) Holding a joint administrative hearing.
- 22 (e) Instituting and prosecuting a joint civil or
- 23 administrative proceeding.
- 24 (f) Sharing and exchanging personnel.
- 25 (g) Coordinating registrations under sections 301 and 401
- 26 through 404 and exemptions under section 203.
- 27 (h) Sharing and exchanging records.

- 1 (i) Formulating rules, statements of policy, guidelines,
- 2 forms, and interpretative opinions and releases.
- 3 (j) Formulating common systems and procedures.
- 4 (k) Notifying the public of proposed rules, forms, statements
- 5 of policy, and guidelines.
- 6 (1) Attending conferences and other meetings among securities
- 7 regulators, which may include representatives of governmental and
- 8 private organizations involved in capital formation, considered
- 9 to be necessary or appropriate to promote or achieve uniformity.
- 10 (m) Developing and maintaining a uniform exemption from
- 11 registration for small issuers and taking other steps to reduce
- 12 the burden of raising investment capital by small businesses.
- Sec. 609. (1) Final orders issued by the administrator
- 14 under this act are subject to judicial review pursuant to the
- 15 administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to
- **16** 24.328.
- 17 (2) Rules adopted under this act are subject to judicial
- 18 review pursuant to the administrative procedures act of 1969,
- 19 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328.
- 20 Sec. 610. (1) Sections 301, 302, 401(1), 402(1), 403(1),
- **21** 404(1), 501, 506, 509, and 510 apply to a person that sells or
- 22 offers to sell a security if the offer to sell or the sale is
- 23 made in this state or the offer to purchase or the purchase is
- 24 made and accepted in this state.
- 25 (2) Sections 401(1), 402(1), 403(1), 404(1), 501, 506, 509,
- 26 and 510 apply to a person that purchases or offers to purchase a
- 27 security if the offer to purchase or the purchase is made in this

- 1 state or the offer to sell or the sale is made and accepted in
- 2 this state.
- 3 (3) For the purpose of this section, an offer to sell or to
- 4 purchase a security is made in this state, whether or not either
- 5 party is then present in this state, if either of the following
- 6 apply to the offer:
- 7 (a) It originates from this state.
- 8 (b) It is directed by the offeror to a place in this state
- 9 and received at the place to which it is directed.
- 10 (4) For purposes of this section, an offer to purchase or to
- 11 sell is accepted in this state whether or not either party is
- 12 then present in this state, if both of the following apply to the
- 13 acceptance:
- 14 (a) It is communicated to the offeror in this state, the
- 15 offeree reasonably believes the offeror to be present in this
- 16 state, and the acceptance is received at the place in this state
- 17 to which it is directed.
- 18 (b) It has not previously been communicated to the offeror,
- 19 orally or in a record, outside this state.
- 20 (5) An offer to sell or to purchase is not made in this state
- 21 when a publisher circulates or there is circulated on the
- 22 publisher's behalf in this state a bona fide newspaper or other
- 23 publication of general, regular, and paid circulation that is not
- 24 published in this state, or that is published in this state but
- 25 has had more than 2/3 of its circulation outside this state
- 26 during the previous 12 months, or when a radio or television
- 27 program or other electronic communication originating outside

- 1 this state is received in this state. A radio, television
- 2 program, or other electronic communication is considered as
- 3 having originated in this state if either the broadcast studio or
- 4 the originating source of transmission is located in this state,
- 5 unless any of the following are met:
- 6 (a) The program or communication is syndicated and
- 7 distributed from outside this state for redistribution to the
- 8 general public in this state.
- 9 (b) The program or communication is supplied by a radio,
- 10 television, or other electronic network with the electronic
- 11 signal originating from outside this state for redistribution to
- 12 the general public in this state.
- 13 (c) The program or communication is an electronic
- 14 communication that originates outside this state and is captured
- 15 for redistribution to the general public in this state by a
- 16 community antenna or cable, radio, cable television, or other
- 17 electronic system.
- 18 (d) The program or communication consists of an electronic
- 19 communication that originates in this state, but which is not
- 20 intended for distribution to the general public in this state.
- 21 (6) Sections 403(1), 404(1), 405(1), 502, 505, and 506 apply
- 22 to a person if the person engages in an act, practice, or course
- 23 of business instrumental in effecting prohibited or actionable
- 24 conduct in this state, whether or not either party is then
- 25 present in this state.
- 26 Sec. 611. (1) A consent to service of process complying
- 27 with this section required by this act must be signed and filed

- 1 in the form required by a rule or order under this act. A
- 2 consent appointing the administrator the person's agent for
- 3 service of process in a noncriminal action or proceeding against
- 4 the person, or the person's successor, or personal representative
- 5 under this act or a rule adopted or order issued by the
- 6 administrator under this act after the consent is filed, has the
- 7 same force and validity as if the service were made personally on
- 8 the person filing the consent. A person that has filed a consent
- 9 complying with this subsection in connection with a previous
- 10 application for registration or notice filing need not file an
- 11 additional consent.
- 12 (2) If a person, including a nonresident of this state,
- 13 engages in an act, practice, or course of business prohibited or
- 14 made actionable by this act or a rule adopted or order issued by
- 15 the administrator under this act and the person has not filed a
- 16 consent to service of process under subsection (1), that act,
- 17 practice, or course of business constitutes the appointment of
- 18 the administrator as the person's agent for service of process in
- 19 a noncriminal action or proceeding against the person, the
- 20 person's successor, or personal representative.
- 21 (3) Service under subsection (1) or (2) may be made by
- 22 providing a copy of the process to the office of the
- 23 administrator, but it is not effective unless both of the
- 24 following are met:
- 25 (a) The plaintiff, which may be the administrator, promptly
- 26 sends notice of the service and a copy of the process, return
- 27 receipt requested, to the defendant or respondent at the address

- 1 given in the consent to service of process or, if a consent to
- 2 service of process has not been filed, at the last known address,
- 3 or takes other reasonable steps to give notice.
- 4 (b) The plaintiff files an affidavit of compliance with this
- 5 subsection in the action or proceeding on or before the return
- 6 day of the process, if any, or within the time that the court or
- 7 the administrator in a proceeding before the administrator
- 8 allows.
- 9 (4) Service as provided in subsection (3) may be used in a
- 10 proceeding before the administrator or by the administrator in a
- 11 civil action in which the administrator is the moving party.
- 12 (5) If the process is served under subsection (3), the court
- 13 or the administrator in a proceeding before the administrator
- 14 shall order continuances as are necessary or appropriate to
- 15 afford the defendant or respondent reasonable opportunity to
- 16 defend.
- 17 Sec. 612. If any provision of this act or its application
- 18 to any person or circumstances is held invalid, the invalidity
- 19 does not affect other provisions or applications of this act that
- 20 can be given effect without the invalid provision or application,
- 21 and to this end, the provisions of this act are severable.
- 22 ARTICLE 7
- 23 TRANSITION
- 24 Sec. 701. This act takes effect 180 days after the date
- 25 this act is enacted.
- 26 Sec. 702. The uniform securities act, 1964 PA 265, MCL
- 27 451.501 to 451.818, is repealed.

- 1 Sec. 703. (1) The predecessor act exclusively governs all
- 2 actions, prosecutions, or proceedings that are pending or may be
- 3 maintained or instituted on the basis of facts or circumstances
- 4 occurring before the effective date of this act, but a civil
- 5 action shall not be maintained to enforce any liability under the
- 6 predecessor act unless commenced within any period of limitation
- 7 that applied when the cause of action accrued or within 3 years
- 8 after the effective date of this act, whichever is earlier.
- 9 (2) All effective registrations under the predecessor act,
- 10 all administrative orders relating to the registrations,
- 11 statements of policy, interpretative opinions, declaratory
- 12 rulings, no action determinations, and all conditions imposed
- 13 upon the registrations under the predecessor act remain in effect
- 14 for the same time period they would have remained in effect if
- 15 this act had not been enacted. They are considered to have been
- 16 filed, issued, or imposed under this act, but are exclusively
- 17 governed by the predecessor act.
- 18 (3) The predecessor act exclusively governs any offer or sale
- 19 made within 1 year after the effective date of this act pursuant
- 20 to an offering made in good faith before the effective date of
- 21 this act on the basis of an exemption available under the
- 22 predecessor act.