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HOUSE BILL No. 6353

August 16, 2006, Introduced by Reps. Sheltrown, Stahl, Espinoza, Farrah, Bieda, Accavitti, Vagnozzi, Plakas, Lemmons, Jr. and Lemmons, III and referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

A bill to amend 1973 PA 196, entitled

"An act to prescribe standards of conduct for public officers and employees; to create a state board of ethics and prescribe its powers and duties; and to prescribe remedies and penalties,"

by amending section 2 (MCL 15.342), as amended by 1984 PA 53.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 2. (1) A public officer or employee shall not divulge to
- 2 an unauthorized person, confidential information acquired in the
- 3 course of employment in advance of the time prescribed for its
- 4 authorized release to the public.
 - (2) A public officer or employee shall not represent his or her personal opinion as that of an agency.
 - (3) A public officer or employee shall use personnel

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- 1 resources, property, and funds under the officer or employee's
- 2 official care and control judiciously and solely in accordance with
- 3 prescribed constitutional, statutory, and regulatory procedures and
- 4 not for personal gain or benefit.
- 5 (4) A public officer or employee shall not solicit or accept a
- 6 gift or loan of money, goods, services, or other thing of value for
- 7 the benefit of a person or organization, other than the state,
- 8 which THAT tends to influence the manner in which the public
- 9 officer or employee or another public officer or employee performs
- 10 official duties.
- 11 (5) A public officer or employee shall not engage in a
- 12 business transaction in which the public officer or employee may
- 13 profit from his or her official position or authority or benefit
- 14 financially from confidential information —which— THAT the public
- 15 officer or employee has obtained or may obtain by reason of that
- 16 position or authority. Instruction -which THAT is not done during
- 17 regularly scheduled working hours except for annual leave or
- 18 vacation time shall not be considered a business transaction
- 19 pursuant to UNDER this subsection if the instructor does not have
- 20 any direct dealing with or influence on the employing or
- 21 contracting facility associated with his or her course of
- 22 employment with this state.
- 23 (6) Except as provided in section 2a, a public officer or
- 24 employee shall not engage in or accept employment or render
- 25 services for a private or public interest when that employment or
- 26 service is incompatible or in conflict with the discharge of the
- 27 officer or employee's official duties or when that employment may

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- 1 tend to impair his or her independence of judgment or action in the
- 2 performance of official duties.
- 3 (7) Except as provided in section 2a, a public officer or
- 4 employee shall not participate in the negotiation or execution of
- 5 contracts, making of loans, granting of subsidies, fixing of rates,
- 6 issuance of permits or certificates, or other regulation or
- 7 supervision relating to a business entity in which the public
- 8 officer or employee has a financial or personal interest.
- 9 (8) A PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE SHALL NOT DIRECTLY SUPERVISE
- 10 THE EMPLOYMENT OF OR PARTICIPATE IN A HIRING OR EMPLOYMENT STATUS
- 11 DECISION CONCERNING AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS A CLOSE FAMILY MEMBER OF
- 12 THE PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE. THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION MAY
- 13 ESTABLISH RULES TO PREVENT A VIOLATION OF THIS SUBSECTION AS TO
- 14 MEMBERS OF THE STATE CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS
- 15 SUBSECTION, "CLOSE FAMILY MEMBER" MEANS ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 16 (A) A SPOUSE, CHILD, PARENT, SIBLING, GRANDCHILD, OR
- 17 GRANDPARENT.
- 18 (B) A SPOUSE OF A CHILD OR PARENT OF THE PUBLIC OFFICER OR
- 19 EMPLOYEE OR OF THE PUBLIC OFFICER'S OR EMPLOYEE'S SPOUSE.