HOUSE BILL No. 6257

June 10, 2010, Introduced by Rep. Meadows and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend 1846 RS 12, entitled "Of certain state officers," by amending section 28 (MCL 14.28).

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 28. (1) The attorney general shall prosecute and defend all actions in the supreme court OF THIS STATE, in which the THIS state shall be IS interested — or a party, ; he EXCEPT THAT THE ATTORNEY GENERAL may — in his discretion, designate one—1 of the assistant attorneys general to be known—as the solicitor general, who, under his THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S direction, shall have charge of such—THOSE causes in the supreme court—and shall perform such ANY other ASSIGNED duties. as may be assigned to him; and the attorney general shall also, when requested by the governor, or either branch of the legislature, and may, when in his own judgment

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- 1 the interests of the state require it, intervene in and appear for
- 2 the people of this state in any other court or tribunal, in any
- 3 cause or matter, civil or criminal, in which the people of this
- 4 state may be a party or interested.
- 5 (2) IF THE GOVERNOR OR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL DETERMINES THAT
- 6 THE INTERESTS OF THE STATE REQUIRE, THE ATTORNEY GENERAL MAY
- 7 INTERVENE IN OR APPEAR ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF THIS STATE IN ANY
- 8 COURT OR TRIBUNAL OF THIS STATE. EXCEPT UPON REQUEST OF THE
- 9 GOVERNOR REGARDING A CIVIL OR CRIMINAL ACTION IN WHICH THE PEOPLE
- 10 OF THIS STATE HAVE AN INTEREST OR IF THIS STATE IS A DEFENDANT OR
- 11 RESPONDENT, THE ATTORNEY GENERAL SHALL NOT INITIATE OR INTERVENE IN
- 12 AN ACTION OR OTHERWISE APPEAR ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF THIS STATE
- 13 IN A COURT OR TRIBUNAL OF THE UNITED STATES, ANOTHER STATE, OR
- 14 ANOTHER FOREIGN JURISDICTION.