#### [No. 2008-1]

## 445.2005 Renaming office of financial and insurance services to office of financial and insurance regulation; creation of position of automobile and home insurance consumer advocate.

WHEREAS, Section 1 of Article V of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 vests the executive power of the State of Michigan in the Governor;

WHEREAS, Section 2 of Article V of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 empowers the Governor to make changes in the organization of the executive branch of state government or in the assignment of functions among its units that the Governor considers necessary for efficient administration;

WHEREAS, the Office of Financial and Insurance Services was established by Executive Order 2000-4, MCL 445,2003;

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Financial and Insurance Services regulates the provision of automobile and home insurance in Michigan under The Insurance Code of 1956, 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.100 to 500.8302;

WHEREAS, Chapter 31 of The Insurance Code of 1956, 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.3101 to MCL 500.3179, requires the owner or registrant of a motor vehicle required to be registered in this state to maintain security for payment of benefits under personal protection insurance, property protection insurance, and residual liability insurance;

WHEREAS, The Insurance Code of 1956, 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.100 to 500.8302, also provides Michigan insurance consumers with important legal rights and protections;

WHEREAS, it is imperative that Michigan automobile and home insurance consumers have access to an effective regulatory system that strengthens insurance oversight, prevents abuse, and maintains representation of consumers' interests;

WHEREAS, ensuring that Michigan residents have access to affordable, reliable, and fair insurance no matter where they live is critical to growing our cities and growing Michigan's economy;

WHEREAS, the creation of an independent advocate within state government dedicated solely to representing and protecting the interests of automobile and home insurance consumers would greatly benefit Michigan residents;

WHEREAS, the creation of an independent advocate within state government dedicated solely to representing and protecting the interests of automobile and home insurance consumers would enhance efficiency and effectiveness within state government by consolidating and focusing consumer advocacy responsibilities in a single position while enabling the Commissioner of the Office of Financial and Insurance Regulation to focus activities on regulatory responsibilities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jennifer M. Granholm, Governor of the State of Michigan, by virtue of the power and authority vested in the Governor by the Michigan Constitution of 1963 and Michigan law, order the following:

#### I. DEFINITIONS

As used in this Order:

A. "Automobile and Home Insurance Consumer Advocate" or "Advocate" means the position created under Section III of this Order.

- B. "Automobile insurance" means that term as defined under Section 2102 of the Insurance Code of 1956, 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.2102.
- C. "Civil Service Commission" means the commission required under Section 5 of Article XI of the Michigan Constitution of 1963.
- D. "Commissioner of Financial and Insurance Regulation" or "Commissioner" means the head of the Office of Financial and Insurance Regulation, formerly known as the Commissioner of Financial and Insurance Services and renamed the Commissioner of Financial and Insurance Regulation under Section II.C. of this Order.
- E. "Department of Labor and Economic Growth" or "Department" means the principal department of state government created as the Department of Commerce under Section 225 of the Executive Organization Act of 1965, 1965 PA 380, MCL 16.325, renamed the Department of Consumer and Industry Services under Executive Order 1996-2, MCL 445.2001, and renamed the Department of Labor and Economic Growth under Executive Order 2003-18, MCL 445.2011.
- F. "Department of Management and Budget" means the principal department of state government created under Section 121 of The Management and Budget Act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1121.
- G. "Home insurance" means that term as defined under Section 2103 of the Insurance Code of 1956, 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.2103.
- H. "Office of Financial and Insurance Regulation" means the office established by Executive Order 2000-4, MCL 445.2003, as the Office of Financial and Insurance Services, and renamed the Office of Financial and Insurance Regulation under Section II.A. of this Order.
- I. "State Budget Director" means the individual appointed by the Governor pursuant to Section 321 of The Management and Budget Act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1321.

#### II. RENAMING THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE SERVICES

- A. The Office of Financial and Insurance Services is renamed the Office of Financial and Insurance Regulation.
- B. Any and all statutory or other references to the Office of Financial and Insurance Services not inconsistent with this Order shall be deemed references to the Office of Financial and Insurance Regulation.
- C. The Commissioner of Financial and Insurance Services is renamed the Commissioner of Financial and Insurance Regulation.
- D. Any and all statutory or other references to the Commissioner of Financial and Insurance Services not inconsistent with this Order shall be deemed references to the Commissioner of Financial and Insurance Regulation.
- E. The Office of Financial and Insurance Regulation shall exercise its prescribed statutory powers, duties and functions of rule-making, licensing and registration including the prescription of rules, rates, regulations and standards, and adjudication independently of the Director of the Department of Labor and Economic Growth. All budgeting, procurement, and related management functions of the Office of Financial and Insurance Regulation shall be performed under the direction and supervision of the Director of the Department of Labor and Economic Growth.

## III. CREATION OF THE POSITION OF AUTOMOBILE AND HOME INSURANCE CONSUMER ADVOCATE

- A. The position of Automobile and Home Insurance Consumer Advocate is created within the Office of Financial and Insurance Regulation. The Advocate shall exercise his or her prescribed powers, duties, responsibilities, and functions independently of the Commissioner. The Advocate shall be a member of the classified state civil service. The appointing authority for the Advocate shall be the Governor.
- B. All of the authority, powers, duties, or functions of the Office necessary for the Advocate to perform the powers, duties, and functions vested in the Advocate under this Order are transferred to the Advocate. Nothing in this paragraph shall be interpreted to diminish the ability of the Commissioner to independently exercise the powers, duties, responsibilities, and functions vested in the Commissioner prior to the effective date of this Order.

## IV. POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE AUTOMOBILE AND HOME INSURANCE CONSUMER ADVOCATE

- A. The Advocate shall do all of the following:
- 1. Advocate for affordable, reliable, and fair automobile insurance and home insurance.
- 2. Conduct hearings and receive testimony from consumers; examine and investigate laws, regulations, and practices; receive expert advice; and survey best practices from around the country to assess the impact of automobile insurance and home insurance rates, rules, and forms on consumers in Michigan.
- 3. Submit to the Governor an annual report on the Advocate's findings and recommendations for administrative, legislative, or other corrective actions that would positively affect the interests of automobile insurance and home insurance consumers.
- 4. Refer instances of potential criminal conduct of which the Advocate becomes aware in the course of his or her duties to the Commissioner, the Attorney General, or other appropriate law enforcement agencies. This paragraph shall not be interpreted to alter the duty of the Commissioner to report suspected criminal activity to the Attorney General under Section 228 of The Insurance Code of 1956, 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.228.
- 5. Perform other related duties as requested by the Governor, consistent with applicable law.
  - B. The Advocate may do all of the following:
- 1. Appear, intervene, and be heard before the Commissioner as a party or otherwise on behalf of insurance consumers in any matters affecting automobile insurance and home insurance.
- 2. Subject to available funding, utilize an internet website, a toll-free telephone number, or other mechanisms for receiving consumer input.
- 3. Educate consumers on how to protect themselves against predatory or illegal insurance practices.
- 4. Coordinate advocacy and educational efforts with non-governmental consumer advocacy entities and other organizations.
- 5. All other things necessary or convenient to achieve the objectives and purposes of this Order, consistent with applicable law.

- C. The budgeting, procurement, and related management functions of the Advocate shall be performed under the direction and supervision of the Director of the Department of Labor and Economic Growth.
- D. Subject to available funding, the Advocate may hire or retain such experts, contractors, subcontractors, advisors, consultants, and agents as he or she may deem advisable and necessary, in accordance with relevant law and the procedures, rules, and regulations of the Civil Service Commission and the Department of Management and Budget, and may make and enter into contracts necessary or incidental to the exercise of powers and performance of his or her duties.
- E. All departments, committees, commissioners, or officers of this state shall give to the Advocate any necessary assistance required by the Advocate in the performance of the Advocate's duties so far as is compatible with his or her duties, subject to applicable law. Free access shall also be given to any books, records, or documents in its, his, or her custody, relating to matters within the scope of authority, powers, duties, or functions of the Advocate, subject to applicable law.
- F. The Advocate may accept donations of labor, services, or other things of value from a public or private agency or person to the extent these donations are used to perform his or her official duties. No insurance corporation or insurer or any officer, director, or agent thereof shall directly or indirectly, pay by way of gift, credit, loan, or any other pretense whatsoever, any sum of money or other valuable thing to the Advocate; and the Advocate shall not accept any such payment.

#### V. IMPLEMENTATION

- A. The State Budget Director shall determine and authorize the most efficient manner possible for handling financial transactions and records in the state's financial management system necessary for the implementation of this Order.
- B. This Order shall not abate any suit, action, or other proceeding lawfully commenced by, against, or before any entity affected under this Order. Any suit, action, or other proceeding may be maintained by, against, or before the appropriate successor of any entity affected under this Order.
- C. The invalidity of any portion of this Order shall not affect the validity of the remainder of the Order, which may be given effect without any invalid portion. Any portion of this Order found invalid by a court or other entity with proper jurisdiction shall be severable from the remaining portions of this Order.

In fulfillment of the requirements under Section 2 of Article V of the Michigan Constitution of 1963, the provisions of this Order are effective April 6, 2008 at 12:01 a.m.

#### [No. 2008-2]

28.162. Transfer of powers and duties of criminal justice information systems policy council to department of state police by type III transfer; abolishment of criminal justice information systems policy council.

WHEREAS, Section 1 of Article V of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 vests the executive power of the State of Michigan in the Governor;

Compiler's note: Executive Reorganization Order No. 2008-1 was promulgated February 1, 2008 as Executive Order No. 2008-2, Eff. April 6, 2008.

WHEREAS, Section 2 of Article V of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 empowers the Governor to make changes in the organization of the executive branch of state government or in the assignment of functions among its units that the Governor considers necessary for efficient administration;

WHEREAS, there is a continuing need to reorganize state functions to assure efficient administration and effectiveness of government;

WHEREAS, abolishing the Criminal Justice Information Systems Policy Council will reduce governmental functions and contribute to a smaller and more efficient state government;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jennifer M. Granholm, Governor of the State of Michigan, by virtue of the power and authority vested in the Governor by the Michigan Constitution of 1963 and Michigan law order:

#### I. DEFINITIONS

As used in this Order:

- A. "Criminal Justice Information Systems Policy Council" or "Council" means the council established within the Department of State Police under Executive Order 1998-1, MCL 28.161, and Section 2 of the C.J.I.S. Policy Council Act, 1974 PA 163, MCL 28.211 to 28.215.
- B. "Department of State Police" or "Department" means the principal department of state government created under Section 2 of 1935 PA 59, MCL 28.2, and Section 150 of the Executive Organization Act of 1965, 1965 PA 380, MCL 16.250.
- C. "State Budget Director" means the individual appointed by the Governor pursuant to Section 321 of The Management and Budget Act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1321.
- D. "Type III transfer" means that term as defined under Section 3 of the Executive Organization Act of 1965, 1965 PA 380, MCL 16.103.

#### II. TRANSFER

A. All of the authority, powers, duties, functions, records, personnel, property, unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, or other funds of the Criminal Justice Information Systems Policy Council are transferred by Type III transfer to the Department of State Police.

B. The Criminal Justice Information Systems Policy Council is abolished.

#### III. IMPLEMENTATION OF TRANSFER

- A. The Director of the Department shall provide executive direction and supervision for the implementation of the transfer under this Order and shall make internal organizational changes as necessary to complete the transfer.
- B. The functions transferred under this Order shall be administered by the Director of the Department in a manner that promotes efficient administration.
- C. All records, property, and unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, and other funds used, held, employed, available, or to be made available to the Council for the activities, powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities transferred under this Order are transferred to the Department.
- D. The State Budget Director shall determine and authorize the most efficient manner possible for handling financial transactions and records in the state's financial management system necessary for the implementation of this Order.

#### IV. MISCELLANEOUS

- A. All rules, orders, contracts, and agreements relating to the functions transferred under this Order lawfully adopted prior to the effective date of this Order shall continue to be effective until revised, amended, repealed, or rescinded.
- B. This Order shall not abate any suit, action, or other proceeding lawfully commenced by, against, or before any entity affected under this Order. Any suit, action, or other proceeding may be maintained by, against, or before the appropriate successor of any entity affected under this Order.
- C. The invalidity of any portion of this Order shall not affect the validity of the remainder of the Order, which may be given effect without any invalid portion. Any portion of this Order found invalid by a court or other entity with proper jurisdiction shall be severable from the remaining portions of this Order.

In fulfillment of the requirements under Section 2 of Article V of the Michigan Constitution of 1963, the provisions of this Order are effective September 21, 2008 at 12:01 a.m.

Compiler's note: Executive Reorganization Order No. 2008-2 was promulgated July 15, 2008 as Executive Order No. 2008-17, Eff. September 21, 2008.

#### [No. 2008-3]

#### 28.621 Amendment of Executive Reorganization Order No. 2001-2.

WHEREAS, Section 1 of Article V of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 vests the executive power of the State of Michigan in the Governor;

WHEREAS, Section 2 of Article V of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 empowers the Governor to make changes in the organization of the executive branch of state government or in the assignment of functions among its units that the Governor considers necessary for efficient administration;

WHEREAS, the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards was created within the Department of State Police by Executive Order 2001-5;

WHEREAS, in the interests of efficient and effective administration of state government it is necessary to amend Executive Order 2001-5 to alter the composition of the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jennifer M. Granholm, Governor of the State of Michigan, by virtue of the power and authority vested in the Governor by the Michigan Constitution of 1963 and Michigan law, order the following:

Section I.C of Executive Order 2001-5 is amended to read as follows:

- "C. The Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards shall consist of 17 members, including all of the following:
- 1. The Attorney General, or his or her designee from within the Department of Attorney General.
- 2. The Director of the Department of State Police, or his or her designee who is a police officer within the Department of State Police.
- 3. The chief of a police department located in a city with a population of more than 750,000, or his or her designee who is a command officer within that department.

- 4. Fourteen individuals appointed by the Governor, subject to disapproval by the Michigan Senate under Section 6 of Article V of the Michigan Constitution of 1963, including all of the following:
- a. Three individuals selected from a list of not less than 9 active voting members of the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police nominated by the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police.
- b. Three individuals selected from a list of not less than 9 elected county sheriffs nominated by the Michigan Sheriffs' Association.
- c. One individual selected from a list of not less than 3 prosecuting attorneys nominated by the Prosecuting Attorneys Association of Michigan.
- d. One individual selected from a list of not less than 3 criminal defense attorneys nominated by the Criminal Defense Attorneys of Michigan.
- e. One individual selected from a list of not less than 3 individuals nominated by the Michigan State Police Troopers Association.
- f. One individual selected from a list of not less than 3 individuals nominated by the Michigan Chapter of the Fraternal Order of Police.
- g. One individual selected from a list of not less than 3 individuals submitted by the Police Officers Association of Michigan.
- h. One individual selected from a list of not less than 3 individuals nominated by a police association representing police officers employed by a police agency employing more than 15 percent of the police officers in this state.
- i. One individual selected from a list of not less than 3 individuals nominated by the Police Officers Labor Council of Michigan.
- j. One individual selected from a list of not less than 3 individuals nominated by the Michigan Association of Police.
- 5. The Governor may appoint any individual meeting the membership requirements of the groups or organizations listed under Section I.C.4.a through I.C.4.j if an organization required to submit a list fails to submit a complete list of qualified nominees at least 30 days prior to a vacancy created by the expiration of a term, or not less than 30 days after the effective date of any other vacancy.
- 6. An individual appointed under Section I.C.4.a to I.C.4.j shall serve as a Commission member only while serving as a member of the organization that nominated the individual.
- 7. Members of the Commission appointed or reappointed under Section I.C.4.a to I.C.4.h after December 31, 2008 shall be appointed for a term of four years.
- 8. Of the members of the Commission initially appointed by the Governor under Sections I.C.4.i and I.C.4.j, one member shall be appointed for a term expiring on November 1, 2009, and one member shall be appointed for a term expiring on November 1, 2010. After the initial appointments, members of the Commission appointed under Sections I.C.4.i and I.C.4.j shall be appointed for a term of four years.
- 9. A vacancy on the Commission occurring other than by expiration of a term shall be filled by the Governor in the same manner as the original appointment for the balance of the unexpired term.".

In fulfillment of the requirements under Section 2 of Article V of the Michigan Constitution of 1963, the provisions of this Order are effective December 28, 2008 at 12:01 a.m.

Compiler's note: Executive Reorganization Order No. 2008-3 was promulgated on October 15, 2008, as Executive Order No. 2008-19, Eff. December 28, 2008.

#### [No. 2008-4]

445.2025 Transfer of powers and duties of department of agriculture relating to biofuels, biogas, and biomass to department of labor and economic growth; transfer of renewable fuels commission from department of agriculture to department of labor and economic growth; transfer of powers and duties of pollution prevention programs unit and field services unit of environmental science and services division relating to energy policy from department of environmental guality to department of labor and economic growth; transfer of energy advisory committee to department of labor and economic growth by type III transfer; transfer of Michigan broadband development authority and its board of directors to Michigan state housing development authority and certain functions to Michigan public service commission; transfer of Michigan superconductor commission to department of labor and economic growth by type III transfer; transfer of certain functions of broadband development authority to department of information technology by type III transfer; renaming department of labor and economic growth as department of energy, labor, and economic growth; rescission of E.O. 2006-14 and E.O. 2003-8.

WHEREAS, Section 1 of Article V of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 vests the executive power of the State of Michigan in the Governor;

WHEREAS, Section 2 of Article V of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 empowers the Governor to make changes in the organization of the executive branch of state government or in the assignment of functions among its units that the Governor considers necessary for efficient administration;

WHEREAS, certain authority, powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities of the Department of Labor and Economic Growth were consolidated under Executive Order 2003-18, MCL 445.2011;

WHEREAS, the generation, transmission, distribution, and consumption of energy are critical state issues directly affecting the economy and our national security;

WHEREAS, the design, development, production, and deployment of renewable energy technologies attracts and secures new capital investment, creates jobs, and otherwise benefits Michigan's economy by fostering research and innovation and by accelerating diversification and revitalization of Michigan's industrial, commercial, and agricultural sectors;

WHEREAS, Michigan is uniquely positioned to advance the development and deployment of renewable energy technologies because of its many assets including, but not limited to, its skilled and available workforce; automotive research and development capabilities; tool and die, metal fabrication, and supply chain superiority; research universities and community colleges with advanced energy academic and technical curricula; and available natural resources in wind, water, and biomass;

WHEREAS, developing Michigan's energy economy by creating strategic alliances between business and labor will improve the lives of Michigan's working families and the vitality of Michigan's businesses, while providing an opportunity to transition to low carbon energy technologies;

WHEREAS, Michigan's economic development efforts can benefit from the rapidly evolving renewable energy and energy efficiency business sectors;

WHEREAS, there is a continuing need to reorganize functions amongst state departments to ensure efficient administration and effectiveness of government;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jennifer M. Granholm, Governor of the State of Michigan, by virtue of the power and authority vested in the Governor by the Michigan Constitution of 1963 and Michigan law, order the following:

#### I. DEFINITIONS

As used in this Order:

- A. "Biofuel" means any renewable liquid or gas fuel offered for sale as a fuel that is derived from recently living organisms or their metabolic by-products and meets applicable quality standards, including, but not limited to, ethanol, ethanol-blended fuel, biodiesel, and biodiesel blends.
  - B. "Biogas" means a biofuel that is a gas.
  - C. "Biomass" means a biofuel that is a solid.
- D. "Department of Agriculture" means the principal department of state government created by Section 1 of 1921 PA 13, MCL 285.1, and Section 175 of the Executive Organization Act of 1965, 1965 PA 380, MCL 16.275.
- E. "Department of Environmental Quality" means the principal department of state government created by Executive Order 1995-18, MCL 324.99903.
- F. "Department of Information Technology" means the principal department of state government created by Executive Order 2001-3, MCL 18.41.
- G. "Department of Labor and Economic Growth" or "Department" means the principal department of state government created by Section 225 of the Executive Organization Act of 1965, 1965 PA 380, MCL 16.325, and renamed by Executive Order 1996-2, MCL 445.2001, and by Executive Order 2003-18, MCL 445.2011.
- H. "Michigan Broadband Development Authority" means the public body corporate and politic created within the Department of Treasury by Section 4 of the Michigan Broadband Development Authority Act, 2002 PA 49, MCL 484.3204, and transferred to the Department of Labor and Economic Growth by Executive Order 2003-18, MCL 445.2011.
- I. "Michigan Public Service Commission" means the commission created by Section 1 of 1939 PA 3, MCL 460.1.
- J. "Michigan State Housing Development Authority" means the public body corporate and politic created by Section 21 of the State Housing Development Authority Act of 1966, 1966 PA 346, MCL 125.1421.
- K. "State Budget Director" means the individual appointed by the Governor pursuant to Section 321 of The Management and Budget Act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1321.
- L. "Type II transfer" means that phrase as defined by Section 3 of the Executive Organization Act of 1965, 1965 PA 380, MCL 16.103.
- M. "Type III transfer" means that phrase as defined by Section 3 of the Executive Organization Act of 1965, 1965 PA 380, MCL 16.103.

## II. TRANSFERS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND ECONOMIC GROWTH

#### A. Department of Agriculture

1. The authority, powers, duties, functions, responsibilities, records, personnel, property, and unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, or other funds, including, but not limited to, the functions of budgeting and procurement, of the Department of Agriculture relating to the development, production, delivery, promotion, and use of biofuels, biogas, and biomass, are transferred by Type II transfer from the Department of Agriculture to the Department of Labor and Economic Growth.

2. The Renewable Fuels Commission established within the Department of Agriculture by Section 3 of the Renewable Fuels Commission Act, 2006 PA 272, MCL 290.583, is transferred by Type II transfer from the Department of Agriculture to the Department of Labor and Economic Growth.

#### **B.** Department of Environmental Quality

1. The authority, powers, duties, functions, responsibilities, records, personnel, property, and unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, or other funds, including, but not limited to, the functions of budgeting and procurement, of the Pollution Prevention Programs Unit and the Field Services Unit of the Environmental Science and Services Division related to energy policy, energy efficiency, alternative energy, green infrastructure, green programs and practices, low-impact design, sustainability, and recycling are transferred by Type II transfer from the Department of Environmental Quality to the Department of Labor and Economic Growth.

#### C. Energy Advisory Committee

- 1. The Energy Advisory Committee created by Section 2 of 1982 PA 191, MCL 10.82, is transferred by Type III transfer to the Department of Labor and Economic Growth.
  - 2. The Energy Advisory Committee is abolished.

#### D. Michigan Broadband Development Authority

- 1. Except as provided in Section II.D.2 and Section IV, the authority, powers, duties, functions, responsibilities, records, personnel, property, and unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, or other funds, including, but not limited to, the functions of budgeting and procurement, of the Michigan Broadband Development Authority and the Board of Directors of the Michigan Broadband Development Authority under the Michigan Broadband Development Authority Act, 2002 PA 49, MCL 484.3201 to 484.3225, are transferred to the Michigan State Housing Development Authority.
- 2. The authority, powers, duties, functions, responsibilities, records, personnel, property, and unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, or other funds, including, but not limited to, the functions of budgeting and procurement, of the Michigan Broadband Development Authority under Section 7(1)(d) of the Michigan Broadband Development Authority Act, 2002 PA 49, MCL 484.3207(1)(d), are transferred to the Michigan Public Service Commission. The Michigan Public Service Commission shall exercise the authority, powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities transferred under this paragraph independently of the Director of the Department of Labor and Economic Growth.
- 3. Except for the transfer under Section II.D.1, nothing in this Order shall alter the statutory authority, powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities of the Michigan State Housing Development Authority, which remain with the Authority. All records, property, personnel, monies, and funds of the Authority, including, but not limited to, bonds, notes, reserves, and trust funds, remain under the control of the Authority, subject to any agreements of the Authority with note and bond holders.
- 4. Upon the completion of the transfer to the Michigan State Housing Development Authority under Section II.D, the Authority shall continue to exercise its legal authority, powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities independently of the Director of the Department of Labor and Economic Growth. The budgeting, procurement, and related management functions of the Authority shall be performed under the direction and supervision of the Director of the Department. When directing and supervising the budgeting, procurement, and related management functions of the Authority, the Director of the Department shall remain cognizant of the rights of the holders of Authority bonds or notes. Certain Authority bond and note contracts may require the Authority to either maintain sufficient personnel or

contract for services to plan Authority programs and to supervise enforcement and, where necessary, foreclosure of Authority mortgage agreements.

- 5. The transfers under Section II.D are subject to any agreement executed prior to the issuance of this Order with note holders, bond holders, or issuers of instruments that are guaranteed.
- 6. Nothing in this Order shall be construed to affect the status of moneys of the Michigan State Housing Development Authority. Moneys of the Authority are not moneys of this state. State funds appropriated to the Authority lose their identity as state funds upon payment to the Authority and become public funds of the Authority solely under the control of the Authority. Funds established by the Authority are public trust funds administered by the Authority.
- 7. Nothing in this Order shall be construed to impair the obligation of any bond or note issued by the Michigan State Housing Development Authority. Bonds and notes issued by the Authority are obligations of the Authority and not obligations of this state.

#### E. Michigan Superconducting Super Collider Commission

- 1. The Michigan Superconducting Super Collider Commission created under Section 4 of the Michigan Superconducting Super Collider Act, 1987 PA 26, MCL 3.814, is transferred by Type III transfer to the Department of Labor and Economic Growth. The transfer under this paragraph includes, but is not limited to, the transfer of all powers and duties of the Commission under Section 11 of the Michigan Superconducting Super Collider Act, 1987 PA 26, MCL 3.821, as amended by 2006 PA 226.
  - 2. The Michigan Superconducting Super Collider Commission is abolished.

## III. IMPLEMENTATION OF TRANSFERS TO DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND ECONOMIC GROWTH

A. The Director of the Department of Labor and Economic Growth shall provide executive direction and supervision for the implementation of the transfers to the Department of Labor and Economic Growth under this Order and shall make internal organization changes as necessary to effectuate the transfers.

B. The Director of the Department of Labor and Economic Growth shall immediately initiate coordination with principal state departments affected by transfers to the Department of Labor and Economic Growth under this Order to facilitate the transfers and develop a memorandum of record with each affected principal department identifying any pending settlements, issues of compliance with applicable federal and state laws and regulations, or other obligations to be resolved to implement the transfers to the Department under this Order.

C. The Director of the Department of Labor and Economic Growth and the director of each principal department affected by the transfers to the Department of Labor and Economic Growth under this Order shall jointly identify the program positions and administrative function positions that will be transferred to the Department under this Order. The Director of the Department and the director of each principal department affected by a transfer to the Department under this Order shall make every effort to develop an agreement specifying the positions to be transferred by the effective date of this Order. In the event of a failure to reach an agreement on positions to be transferred under this Order, the Director of the Department shall develop a written recommendation specifying the positions to be transferred and submit the recommendation to the Governor for consideration and approval. All transfers to the Department shall be consistent with this Order and documented by a memorandum of understanding between the director of each principal department affected by a transfer to the Department under this Order and the Director of the Department.

- D. The authority, powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities transferred to the Department of Labor and Economic Growth under this Order shall be administered in such ways as to promote efficient administration.
- E. The Director of the Department of Labor and Economic Growth may delegate within the Department a duty or power conferred on the Director of the Department by this Order or by other law and the individual to whom the duty or power is delegated may perform the duty or exercise the power at the time and to the extent that the power is delegated by the Director.
- F. All records, property, grants, and unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, and other funds used, held, employed, available, or to be made available for the activities, powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities transferred to the Department of Labor and Economic Growth under this Order are transferred to the Department of Labor and Economic Growth.
- G. All records, property, grants, and unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, and other funds used, held, employed, available, or to be made available to the Michigan Broadband Development Authority for the activities, powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities transferred to the Michigan State Housing Development Authority under this Order are transferred to the Michigan State Housing Development Authority.
- H. All records, property, grants, and unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, and other funds used, held, employed, available, or to be made available to the Michigan Broadband Development Authority for the activities, powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities transferred to the Michigan Public Service Commission under this Order are transferred to the Michigan Public Service Commission.

#### IV. TRANSFER TO DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

- A. The authority, powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities of the Michigan Broadband Development Authority under Section 7(1)(p) of the Michigan Broadband Development Authority Act, 2002 PA 49, MCL 484.3207(1)(p), are transferred by Type III transfer to the Department of Information Technology.
- B. The Michigan Broadband Development Authority and the Board of Directors of the Michigan Broadband Development Authority are abolished.
- C. The Director of the Department of Information Technology shall provide executive direction and supervision for the implementation of the transfer to the Department of Information Technology under this Order and shall make internal organization changes as necessary to effectuate the transfers.
- D. The authority, powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities transferred to the Department of Information Technology under this Order shall be administered in such ways as to promote efficient administration.
- E. All records, property, grants, and unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, and other funds used, held, employed, available, or to be made available for the activities, powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities transferred to the Department of Information Technology under this Order are transferred to the Department of Information Technology.

#### V. RENAMING THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND ECONOMIC GROWTH

- A. The Department of Labor and Economic Growth in renamed the Department of Energy, Labor, and Economic Growth.
- B. Any statutory and other references to the Department of Labor and Economic Growth shall be deemed references to the Department of Energy, Labor, and Economic Growth.

#### VI. CHIEF ENERGY OFFICER FOR THE STATE OF MICHIGAN

A. The Director of the Department of Energy, Labor, and Economic Growth is designated as the Chief Energy Officer for the State of Michigan. As Chief Energy Officer, the Director shall promote the use of renewable energy, the development of advanced energy technologies, and the implementation of energy efficiency measures in this state.

B. The Chief Energy Officer also shall serve as an advisor to the Governor on matters relating to renewable energy, energy efficiency, and other energy matters as requested by the Governor.

#### VII. RESCISSIONS

- A. Executive Order 2006-14 is rescinded in its entirety.
- B. Executive Order 2003-8 is rescinded in its entirety.

#### VIII. MISCELLANEOUS

- A. The State Budget Director shall determine and authorize the most efficient manner possible for handling financial transactions and records in the state's financial management system necessary for the implementation of this Order.
- B. All rules, orders, contracts, and agreements relating to the transfers under this Order lawfully adopted prior to the effective date of this Order shall continue to be effective until revised, amended, repealed, or rescinded.
- C. This Order shall not abate any suit, action, or other proceeding lawfully commenced by, against, or before any entity affected under this Order. Any suit, action, or other proceeding may be maintained by, against, or before the appropriate successor of any entity affected under this Order.
- D. The invalidity of any portion of this Order shall not affect the validity of the remainder of the Order, which may be given effect without any invalid portion. Any portion of this Order found invalid by a court or other entity with proper jurisdiction shall be severable from the remaining portions of this Order.

In fulfillment of the requirements under Section 2 of Article V of the Michigan Constitution of 1963, the provisions of this Order are effective December 28, 2008 at 12:01 a.m.

Compiler's note: Executive Reorganization Order No. 2008-4 was promulgated October 27, 2008 as Executive Order No. 2008-20, Eff. December 28, 2008.