SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 5714

A bill to amend 1933 PA 254, entitled "The motor carrier act,"

by amending the title, sections 1, 2, 3, and 4 of article I, the heading and sections 1, 3, 5, 8, 9, 10, 13, and 14 of article II, the heading and sections 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 9, 11, and 12 of article III, sections 1 and 2 of article IV, sections 2, 5, 6, 6a, 6b, 7, 8, 9, 10, 10a, 11, 14, 14a, and 18 of article V, and section 2 of article VI (MCL 475.1, 475.2, 475.3, 475.4, 476.1, 476.3, 476.5, 476.8, 476.9, 476.10, 476.13, 476.14, 477.1, 477.2, 477.4, 477.5, 477.6, 477.9, 477.11, 477.12, 478.1, 478.2, 479.2, 479.5, 479.6, 479.6a, 479.6b, 479.7, 479.8, 479.9, 479.10, 479.10a, 479.11, 479.14, 479.14a, 479.18, and 479.42), the title, section 1 of article I, section 2 of article IV, and sections 8, 9, and 10 of

article V as amended by 2008 PA 584, sections 2, 3, and 4 of article I, section 3 of article II, sections 2 and 4 of article III, and sections 6a, 6b, 10a, 14, and 14a of article V as amended and section 2 of article VI as added by 1993 PA 352, sections 1, 8, 9, 13, and 14 of article II, sections 1, 5, 9, 11, and 12 of article III, section 1 of article IV, and section 6 of article V as amended by 1982 PA 399, sections 5 and 10 of article II and section 6 of article III as amended and section 7 of article V as added by 2007 PA 33, section 2 of article V as amended by 2011 PA 111, section 11 of article V as amended by 1994 PA 176, and section 18 of article V as amended by 2000 PA 96, and by adding sections 4a, 7, 7a, 7b, and 9a to article III; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 TITLE

2 An act to promote safety upon and conserve the use of public

highways of the THIS state; to provide for the supervision,

4 regulation, and control of the use of such highways by all motor

5 vehicles operated by carriers of property for hire upon or over

6 such highways; to preserve, foster, and regulate transportation and

7 permit the coordination of motor vehicle transportation facilities;

8 to provide for the supervision, regulation, and control of the use

9 of such highways by all motor vehicles for hire for such purposes;

10 to classify and regulate carriers of property by motor vehicles for

11 hire upon such public highways for such purposes; to give the

12 Michigan Public Service Commission PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

13 jurisdiction and authority to prevent evasion of this act through

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- 1 any device or arrangement; to insure adequate transportation
- 2 service; to give the commission jurisdiction and authority to fix,
- 3 alter, regulate, and determine rates, fares, charges,
- 4 classifications, and practices of common-motor carriers OF
- 5 HOUSEHOLD GOODS for such purposes; to give the commission
- 6 jurisdiction and authority to require registration, conduct audits,
- 7 and assess fees for motor carriers for unified carrier registration
- 8 ; to require filing with the commission of rates, fares, and
- 9 charges of contract carriers and to authorize the commission to
- 10 prescribe minimum rates, fares, and charges, and to require the
- 11 observance thereof; to prevent unjust discrimination; to prescribe
- 12 the powers and duties of said THE PUBLIC SERVICE commission; with
- 13 reference thereto; to provide for appeals from the orders of such
- 14 THE commission; to confer jurisdiction upon the circuit court for
- 15 the county of Ingham for such appeals; to provide for the levy and
- 16 collection of certain privilege fees and taxes for such MOTOR
- 17 carriers for such purposes—and the disposition of such THOSE fees
- 18 and taxes; and to provide for the enforcement of this act; and to
- 19 prescribe penalties for its violations.
- 20 ARTICLE I
- 21 GENERAL DEFINITIONS AND PURPOSE
- 22 Sec. 1. The words and phrases AS used in this act: shall be
- 23 construed as follows, unless the context shall otherwise require:
- 24 (a) "Motor vehicle" means any automobile, truck, trailer,
- 25 semitrailer, truck tractor, road tractor, or any self-propelled or
- 26 motor or mechanically driven vehicle, or any vehicle in anywise
- 27 attached to, connected with, or drawn by any self-propelled or

- 1 motor or mechanically driven vehicle, used upon any public highway
- 2 of this state for the purpose of transporting property.
- 3 (b) "Public highway" means any public highway, road, street,
- 4 avenue, alley, or thoroughfare of any kind, or any bridge, tunnel,
- 5 or subway used by the public.
- 6 (c) "Commission" means the Michigan public service commission.
- 7 (d) "Person" means any individual, partnership, association,
- 8 or corporation, and their lessees, trustees, or receivers appointed
- 9 by any court.
- 11 paid or promised, either directly or indirectly.
- 12 (f) "Motor common carrier of property" means any person who
- 13 holds himself or herself out to the public as being engaged in the
- 14 business of a for hire common carrier as at the common law, either
- 15 directly or through any device or arrangement, including but not
- 16 limited to those who operate over fixed routes or within 1 mile of
- 17 a fixed route or between fixed termini, in the transportation by
- 18 motor vehicle from place to place upon or over the highways of this
- 19 state, the property, or any property, or any class of property of
- 20 others who may choose to employ the person.
- 21 (g) "The public" means that part or portion of the general
- 22 public which the motor carrier is ready, able, willing, and
- 23 equipped to serve.
- 24 (h) "Motor contract carrier of property" means any person
- 25 providing motor vehicle transportation upon the highways of this
- 26 state for a series of shipments under continuing agreement of not
- 27 less than 1 year with a person which agreement provides for the

assignment of motor vehicles exclusively for each such person while 1 the vehicle is in the service of such person and which agreement is 2 designed to meet the distinct needs of each such person. Lower 3 4 rates, in and of themselves, shall not constitute a distinct need. 5 A motor contract carrier that possesses a motor common carrier certificate of authority of that class set forth at section 5(6)(a) 6 of article II may commingle authorized contract carrier shipments 7 while providing common carrier service over fixed routes, without 8 9 assigning any vehicle exclusively for the person or persons for 10 whom contract service is provided. A motor contract carrier 11 authorized to transport packages or articles weighing 70 pounds or 12 less for 1 or more contract shippers may commingle such authorized 13 packages or articles weighing 70 pounds or less in the same vehicle 14 with commodities transported as a common or contract carrier, without assigning any vehicle exclusively for the person or persons 15 for whom contract service is provided. A motor contract carrier 16 authorized to transport coin, currency, or food stamps for 1 or 17 more contract shippers, may commingle such authorized coin, 18 19 currency, or food stamps in the same vehicle with commodities 20 transported as a common or a contract carrier, without assigning 21 any vehicle exclusively for the person for whom contract service is 22 provided. (i) "Motor carrier" means both motor common carriers of 23 24 property and motor contract carriers of property. Motor carrier 25 does not include any person engaged in the transportation of 26 property by motor vehicle upon public highways where the 27 transportation is incidental to, or in furtherance of, any

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1 commercial enterprise of the person, other than transportation. (j) "Certificate of authority" means a certificate issued to a 2 motor common carrier authorizing a transportation service that 3 serves a useful public purpose responsive to a public demand or 4 need, which certificate is issued under the terms of this act. 5 (k) "Permit" means the permit issued to motor contract 6 carriers under the terms of this act. 7 (l) "Through any device or arrangement" means any and all 8 9 methods, means, agreements, circumstances, operations, or 10 subterfuges under which any person undertakes for hire to conduct, 11 direct, control, or otherwise perform the transportation by motor 12 vehicle of property upon the public highways of this state. 13 - (m) "Modified procedure" means that administrative procedure by which the commission may consider evidence and testimony 14 submitted in the form of verified statements in motor carrier 15 16 matters without the necessity for an oral hearing. The commission 17 may delegate decision making authority to an employee of the commission staff, so that decisions in modified procedure may be 18 19 issued under the signature of the employee without a formal 20 commission order. (n) "Occasional accommodative service" means service limited 21 to operations conducted by persons not regularly engaged in the 22 transportation business of a motor common carrier or a motor 23 24 contract carrier. (o) "Useful public purpose" means a purpose for which an 25 applicant can provide adequate, economic, safe, effective, 26 27 competitive, and equitable motor carrier service to satisfy a

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- 1 demonstrated public need.
- 2 (p) "Fit", as applied to a proposed motor carrier service,
- 3 means safe, suitable, and financially responsible as determined by
- 4 the commission.
- 5 (q) "General rate" means a rate applicable to 2 or more motor
- 6 carriers which rate is filed pursuant to section 6b of article V.
- 7 (r) "Base rate, fare, or charge" means that nondiscounted
- 8 rate, fare, or charge specified in a carrier's rate schedule on
- 9 file with the commission.
- 11 allocated costs. As used in this subdivision, "fully allocated
- 12 costs" means total costs, including variable costs, plus an
- 13 allocation of fixed costs.
- 14 (t) "Household goods" means personal effects and property used
- or to be used in a dwelling when a part of the equipment or supply
- 16 of that dwelling. Household goods do not include property moving
- 17 from a factory or store, except such property as the householder
- 18 has purchased with intent to use in his or her dwelling and that is
- 19 transported at the request of the householder, the carrier's
- 20 transportation charges for which are paid by that householder.
- 21 (u) "Local move" means a household goods shipment of 40 miles
- 22 or less, from point of origin to point of destination, as
- 23 determined by actual miles traveled by the motor carrier and
- 24 verifiable by odometer reading or mileage guide in general public
- 25 use.
- 26 (v) "Intrastate-only motor carrier of property" means a motor
- 27 carrier of property that is not a UCR motor carrier.

- 1 (w) "Intrastate motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle that is
- 2 operated by 1 of the following:
- 3 (i) An intrastate-only motor carrier of property.
- 4 (ii) A motor carrier that uses the motor vehicle to transport
- 5 household goods on an intrastate basis.
- 6 (x) "UCR motor carrier" means a person that is required to pay
- 7 fees and file information under section 4305 of the federal unified
- 8 carrier registration act of 2005, 49 USC 14504a.
- 9 <u>(y) "Unified carrier registration agreement" means the</u>
- 10 interstate agreement developed under the unified carrier
- 11 registration plan governing the collection and distribution of
- 12 registration and financial responsibility information provided and
- 13 fees paid by UCR motor carriers, motor private carriers, brokers,
- 14 freight forwarders, and leasing companies under section 4305 of the
- 15 federal unified carrier registration act of 2005, 49 USC 14504a.
- 16 (z) "Unified carrier registration plan" means the organization
- 17 of state, federal, and industry representatives responsible for
- 18 developing, implementing, and administering the unified carrier
- 19 registration agreement under section 4305 of the federal unified
- 20 carrier registration act of 2005, 49 USC 14504a.
- 21 (aa) "Broker" means that term as defined in 49 USC 13102.
- 22 (bb) "Freight forwarder" means that term as defined in 49 USC
- 23 13102.
- 24 (cc) "Motor private carrier" means that term as defined in 49
- 25 USC 13102.
- 26 (dd) "Commercial motor vehicle" means that term as defined in
- 27 49 USC 14504a.

- 1 (ee) "Leasing company" means that term as defined in 49 USC
- 2 14504a.
- 3 (A) "BASE RATE, FARE, OR CHARGE" MEANS THE NONDISCOUNTED RATE,
- 4 FARE, OR CHARGE SPECIFIED IN A CARRIER'S RATE SCHEDULE ON FILE WITH
- 5 THE COMMISSION.
- 6 (B) "BROKER" MEANS THAT TERM AS DEFINED IN 49 USC 13102.
- 7 (C) "CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY" MEANS A CERTIFICATE ISSUED
- 8 UNDER THIS ACT TO A MOTOR CARRIER AUTHORIZING A TRANSPORTATION
- 9 SERVICE.
- 10 (D) "COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE" MEANS THAT TERM AS DEFINED IN
- 11 49 USC 14504A.
- 12 (E) "COMMISSION" MEANS THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.
- 13 (F) "EMERGENCY" MEANS THAT TERM AS DEFINED IN 49 CFR 390.5(1).
- 14 (G) "FIT", AS APPLIED TO A PROPOSED MOTOR CARRIER SERVICE,
- 15 MEANS SAFE, SUITABLE, AND FINANCIALLY RESPONSIBLE AS DETERMINED BY
- 16 THE COMMISSION.
- 17 (H) "FOR HIRE" MEANS FOR REMUNERATION OR REWARD OF ANY KIND,
- 18 PAID OR PROMISED, EITHER DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY.
- 19 (I) "FREIGHT FORWARDER" MEANS THAT TERM AS DEFINED IN 49 USC
- 20 13102.
- 21 (J) "GENERAL COMMODITY" MEANS ANY PROPERTY OTHER THAN
- 22 HOUSEHOLD GOODS, HAZARDOUS MATERIALS, OR PASSENGERS.
- 23 (K) "GENERAL RATE" MEANS A RATE APPLICABLE TO 2 OR MORE MOTOR
- 24 CARRIERS THAT IS FILED UNDER SECTION 6B OF ARTICLE V.
- 25 (1) "HOUSEHOLD GOODS" MEANS PERSONAL EFFECTS AND PROPERTY USED
- 26 OR TO BE USED IN A DWELLING WHEN A PART OF THE EQUIPMENT OR SUPPLY
- 27 OF THAT DWELLING. HOUSEHOLD GOODS DO NOT INCLUDE PROPERTY MOVING

- 1 FROM A FACTORY OR STORE, UNLESS THE PROPERTY WAS PURCHASED BY THE
- 2 HOUSEHOLDER WITH INTENT TO USE THE PROPERTY IN HIS OR HER DWELLING,
- 3 THE PROPERTY IS TRANSPORTED AT THE REQUEST OF THE HOUSEHOLDER, AND
- 4 THE HOUSEHOLDER PAYS THE CARRIER'S TRANSPORTATION CHARGES EITHER
- 5 DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY.
- 6 (M) "INTRASTATE MOTOR VEHICLE" MEANS A MOTOR VEHICLE THAT IS
- 7 OPERATED BY 1 OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 8 (i) AN INTRASTATE-ONLY MOTOR CARRIER OF PROPERTY.
- 9 (ii) A MOTOR CARRIER THAT USES THE MOTOR VEHICLE TO TRANSPORT
- 10 HOUSEHOLD GOODS ON AN INTRASTATE BASIS.
- 11 (N) "INTRASTATE-ONLY MOTOR CARRIER OF PROPERTY" MEANS A MOTOR
- 12 CARRIER OF PROPERTY THAT IS NOT A UCR MOTOR CARRIER.
- 13 (O) "LEASING COMPANY" MEANS THAT TERM AS DEFINED IN 49 USC
- 14 14504A.
- 15 (P) "LOCAL MOVE" MEANS A HOUSEHOLD GOODS SHIPMENT OF 40 MILES
- 16 OR LESS, FROM POINT OF ORIGIN TO POINT OF DESTINATION, AS
- 17 DETERMINED BY ACTUAL MILES TRAVELED BY THE MOTOR CARRIER AND
- 18 VERIFIABLE BY ODOMETER READING OR MILEAGE GUIDE IN GENERAL PUBLIC
- 19 USE.
- 20 (Q) "MOTOR CARRIER" MEANS A MOTOR CARRIER OF GENERAL
- 21 COMMODITIES OR A MOTOR CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS.
- 22 (R) "MOTOR CARRIER OF GENERAL COMMODITIES" MEANS A PERSON THAT
- 23 IS AN AUTHORIZED FOR-HIRE MOTOR CARRIER, EITHER DIRECTLY OR THROUGH
- 24 ANY DEVICE OR ARRANGEMENT, OF PROPERTY OTHER THAN HOUSEHOLD GOODS
- 25 UPON OR OVER A PUBLIC HIGHWAY.
- 26 (S) "MOTOR CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS" MEANS A PERSON THAT,
- 27 EITHER DIRECTLY OR THROUGH ANY DEVICE OR ARRANGEMENT, PACKS, LOADS,

- 1 UNLOADS, OR TRANSPORTS HOUSEHOLD GOODS UPON OR OVER A PUBLIC
- 2 HIGHWAY FOR THE GENERAL PUBLIC IN EXCHANGE FOR PAYMENT.
- 3 (T) "MOTOR PRIVATE CARRIER" MEANS THAT TERM AS DEFINED IN 49
- 4 USC 13102.
- 5 (U) "MOTOR VEHICLE" MEANS AN AUTOMOBILE, TRUCK, TRAILER,
- 6 SEMITRAILER, TRUCK TRACTOR, ROAD TRACTOR, OR A SELF-PROPELLED OR
- 7 MOTOR OR MECHANICALLY DRIVEN VEHICLE, OR A VEHICLE ATTACHED TO,
- 8 CONNECTED WITH, OR DRAWN BY A SELF-PROPELLED OR MOTOR OR
- 9 MECHANICALLY DRIVEN VEHICLE, USED UPON A PUBLIC HIGHWAY OF THIS
- 10 STATE.
- 11 (V) "PERSON" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL, PARTNERSHIP, ASSOCIATION, OR
- 12 CORPORATION, AND THEIR LESSEES, TRUSTEES, OR RECEIVERS APPOINTED BY
- 13 A COURT.
- 14 (W) "PREDATORY RATE" MEANS A RATE THAT IS EITHER BELOW ITS
- 15 FULLY ALLOCATED COSTS OR IN EXCESS OF REASONABLE INDUSTRY
- 16 STANDARDS. AS USED IN THIS SUBDIVISION, "FULLY ALLOCATED COSTS"
- 17 MEANS TOTAL COSTS, INCLUDING VARIABLE COSTS, PLUS AN ALLOCATION OF
- 18 FIXED COSTS.
- 19 (X) "PUBLIC HIGHWAY" MEANS A PUBLIC HIGHWAY, ROAD, STREET,
- 20 AVENUE, ALLEY, OR THOROUGHFARE OF ANY KIND, OR A BRIDGE, TUNNEL, OR
- 21 SUBWAY USED BY THE PUBLIC.
- 22 (Y) "THE PUBLIC" MEANS THE PART OR PORTION OF THE GENERAL
- 23 PUBLIC THAT A MOTOR CARRIER IS READY, ABLE, WILLING, AND EQUIPPED
- 24 TO SERVE.
- 25 (Z) "THROUGH ANY DEVICE OR ARRANGEMENT" MEANS ANY AND ALL
- 26 METHODS, MEANS, AGREEMENTS, CIRCUMSTANCES, OPERATIONS, OR
- 27 SUBTERFUGES UNDER WHICH A PERSON UNDERTAKES FOR HIRE TO CONDUCT,

- 1 DIRECT, CONTROL, OR OTHERWISE PERFORM THE TRANSPORTATION BY MOTOR
- 2 VEHICLE OF PROPERTY UPON THE PUBLIC HIGHWAYS OF THIS STATE.
- 3 (AA) "UCR MOTOR CARRIER" MEANS A PERSON THAT IS REQUIRED TO
- 4 PAY FEES AND FILE INFORMATION UNDER SECTION 14504A OF THE FEDERAL
- 5 UNIFIED CARRIER REGISTRATION ACT OF 2005, 49 USC 14504A.
- 6 (BB) "UNIFIED CARRIER REGISTRATION AGREEMENT" MEANS THE
- 7 INTERSTATE AGREEMENT DEVELOPED UNDER THE UNIFIED CARRIER
- 8 REGISTRATION PLAN GOVERNING THE COLLECTION AND DISTRIBUTION OF
- 9 REGISTRATION AND FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY INFORMATION PROVIDED AND
- 10 FEES PAID BY UCR MOTOR CARRIERS, MOTOR PRIVATE CARRIERS, BROKERS,
- 11 FREIGHT FORWARDERS, AND LEASING COMPANIES UNDER SECTION 14504A OF
- 12 THE FEDERAL UNIFIED CARRIER REGISTRATION ACT OF 2005, 49 USC
- 13 14504A.
- 14 (CC) "UNIFIED CARRIER REGISTRATION PLAN" MEANS THE
- 15 ORGANIZATION OF STATE, FEDERAL, AND INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVES
- 16 RESPONSIBLE FOR DEVELOPING, IMPLEMENTING, AND ADMINISTERING THE
- 17 UNIFIED CARRIER REGISTRATION AGREEMENT UNDER SECTION 14504A OF THE
- 18 FEDERAL UNIFIED CARRIER REGISTRATION ACT OF 2005, 49 USC 14504A.
- 19 Sec. 2. It is hereby declared to be the purpose and policy of
- 20 the legislature in enacting this law to confer upon the commission
- 21 the power and authority and to make it its duty to supervise and
- 22 regulate the transportation of property by motor vehicle for hire
- 23 upon and over the public highways of this state in all matters
- 24 whether specifically mentioned herein or not, so as to DO ALL OF
- 25 THE FOLLOWING:
- 26 (a) Relieve all future undue burdens and congestion on the
- 27 highways arising by reason of the use of the highways by motor

- 1 vehicles operated by motor carriers; (b) protect and conserve the
- 2 highways and protect PROTECT the safety and welfare of the
- 3 traveling and shipping public in their use of the highways. ; (c)
- 4 promote
- 5 (B) PROMOTE competitive and efficient transportation services.
- 6 ; (d) meet
- 7 (C) MEET the needs of motor carriers, shippers, receivers, and
- 8 consumers. ; (e) allow
- 9 (D) ALLOW a variety of quality, price, and service options to
- 10 meet changing market demands and the diverse requirements of the
- 11 shipping public. ; (f) allow
- 12 (E) ALLOW the most productive use of equipment and energy
- 13 resources. ; (g) provide
- 14 (F) PROVIDE the opportunity for efficient and well-managed
- 15 motor carriers to earn adequate profits and attract capital. ; (h)
- 16 promote
- 17 (G) PROMOTE intermodal transportation. ; (i) prevent
- 18 (H) PREVENT unjust discrimination. 7 (j) promote
- 19 (I) PROMOTE greater participation by minorities in the motor
- 20 carrier system. ; (k) provide
- 21 (J) PROVIDE and maintain service to small communities and
- 22 small shippers. ; (1) prevent
- 23 (K) PREVENT evasion of this act through any device or
- 24 arrangement. ; (m) promote
- 25 (1) PROMOTE entrepreneurship in the motor carrier industry by
- 26 allowing greater contract carrier economic and entry flexibility. +
- 27 and (n) promote

- 1 (M) PROMOTE the use of jointly considered and initiated rates,
- 2 classifications, divisions, allowances, charges, or rules of motor
- 3 carriers under commission approved agreements.
- 4 Sec. 3. (1) To enable the provisions of service for which
- 5 there is an immediate and urgent need to a point or points or
- 6 within a territory having no motor common carrier service capable
- 7 of meeting that need, the THE commission may, IN ITS DISCRETION AND
- 8 upon a proper application , in its discretion THAT INCLUDES A
- 9 SPECIFIC DEFINITION OF THE AUTHORITY SOUGHT, and without hearings
- 10 or other proceedings, grant temporary authority for that service by
- 11 a motor common—carrier by motor vehicle. THE COMMISSION MAY GRANT
- 12 TEMPORARY AUTHORITY UNLESS A SAFETY OR FITNESS-RELATED ISSUE
- 13 EXISTS. The temporary authority, unless suspended or revoked for
- 14 good cause, shall be valid until the commission has made a
- 15 determination to grant or deny permanent authority. If after
- 16 hearing permanent authority is granted, then corresponding
- 17 temporary authority may be continued until the permanent authority
- 18 becomes effective. FOR NOT MORE THAN 60 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF
- 19 ISSUANCE. The grant of temporary authority does not create a
- 20 presumption that THE COMMISSION WILL GRANT corresponding permanent
- 21 authority. will be granted thereafter.
- 22 (2) The commission may, upon a proper application which shall
- 23 include specific definition of permit sought, in its discretion and
- 24 without hearings or other proceedings, grant a temporary permit for
- 25 that service by a motor contract carrier by motor vehicle. A
- 26 temporary permit shall be granted, at the request of an applicant,
- 27 in all cases, except when a safety or fitness related protest has

- 1 been filed, which protest must include specific allegations
- 2 necessary to state a prima facie case and reasonably inform the
- 3 commission and the applicant of the nature of the allegations, with
- 4 specific reference to the section or sections of all related
- 5 statutes, rules, orders, and tariffs. The temporary permit, unless
- 6 suspended or revoked for good cause, shall be valid until the
- 7 commission has made a decision to grant or deny a permanent permit.
- 8 The grant of a temporary permit creates no presumption that a
- 9 corresponding permanent permit will be granted thereafter.
- 10 (3) Pending the determination of an application filed with the
- 11 commission for approval of a consolidation or merger of the
- 12 properties of 2 or more motor carriers, the commission may, in its
- 13 discretion and without hearing or other proceedings, grant
- 14 temporary approval, for a period not exceeding 60 days, of the
- 15 operation of the motor carrier properties sought to be acquired by
- 16 the person proposing in the pending application to acquire the
- 17 properties, if it appears that failure to grant the temporary
- 18 approval may result in destruction of or injury to the motor
- 19 carrier properties sought to be acquired, or to interfere
- 20 substantially with their future usefulness in the performance of
- 21 adequate and continuous service to the public.
- 22 (2) (4)—Transportation service rendered under A temporary
- 23 authority shall be—IS subject to all applicable provisions of this
- 24 act and to the rules of the commission.
- Sec. 4. (1) This section applies to all matters before the
- 26 commission for which the commission has jurisdiction under article
- 27 II, **III**, or V.

- 1 (2) The commission or an employee to whom has been delegated
- 2 WITH the authority to make an initial decision in a matter related
- 3 to a motor carrier SHALL DO ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 4 (a) Shall, in any IN A case in which an oral hearing is held,
- 5 complete all evidentiary proceedings related to the matter not
- 6 later than 180 days following institution of the proceeding, shall
- 7 issue in writing the proposal for decision not later than 270 days
- 8 following institution of the proceeding, and shall issue in writing
- 9 the final decision not later than 300 days following institution of
- 10 the proceeding.
- 11 (b) Shall, in the case of IN all other proceedings subject to
- 12 this section, issue in writing the proposal for decision not later
- 13 than 120 days following institution of the proceeding , and shall
- 14 issue in writing the final decision not later than 180 days
- 15 following institution of the proceeding.
- 16 (3) In extraordinary circumstances the commission may extend a
- 17 time period established by this section. However, the total of all
- 18 extensions with respect to any matter subject to this section shall
- 19 not exceed 90 days.
- 20 ARTICLE II
- 21 MOTOR CARRIERS OF GENERAL COMMODITIES
- Sec. 1. A motor common carrier of property GENERAL COMMODITIES
- 23 shall not operate any motor vehicle for the IN FOR-HIRE
- 24 transportation of property for hire on any public highway in this
- 25 state except in accordance with the provisions of this act. A motor
- 26 common—carrier of property—GENERAL COMMODITIES shall not operate
- 27 upon any public highway without first having obtained A CERTIFICATE

- 1 OF AUTHORITY from the commission. a certificate of authority.
- 2 Sec. 3. (1) An application for a certificate of authority
- 3 shall be in writing, verified by affidavit, ON A FORM PRESCRIBED BY
- 4 THE COMMISSION AND SIGNED BY THE OWNER OR AN OFFICER OF THE
- 5 APPLICANT, stating the experience of the applicant as a motor
- 6 carrier, if any, the ownership and condition of the equipment and
- 7 physical property of the applicant proposed to be used, that the
- 8 vehicles of the applicant have passed an inspection within the
- 9 immediately preceding 12 months pursuant to the requirements of
- 10 UNDER the motor carrier safety act OF 1963, Act No. 181 of the
- 11 Public Acts of 1963, being sections 480.11 to 480.21 of the
- 12 Michigan Compiled Laws, and 49 C.F.R. part 396, the support by
- 13 shippers or receivers for the proposed service, the relation of the
- 14 proposed service to the required public purpose to be served, 1963
- 15 PA 181, MCL 480.11 TO 480.25, and shall contain other information
- 16 as the commission requires. The commission may request supplemental
- 17 information from an applicant regarding accident records and
- 18 citations issued to the applicant or drivers of the applicant
- 19 within the immediately preceding 12 months when that information is
- 20 considered necessary to make findings regarding the fitness of the
- 21 applicant. Each application shall be accompanied by the required
- 22 fees, proof of insurance before operations are commenced, and all
- 23 other things required by law and the rules of the commission.
- 24 (2) THE COMMISSION MAY REJECT, DISMISS, OR DENY AN APPLICATION
- 25 IF THE APPLICANT FAILS TO COMPLY WITH INSTRUCTIONS ON THE
- 26 APPLICATION FORM DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1).
- Sec. 5. (1) Except as provided in this section, the commission

- 1 shall issue a certificate of authority to an applicant authorizing
- 2 that—it TO provide transportation subject to the jurisdiction of
- 3 the commission under this article as a motor common—carrier of
- 4 property GENERAL COMMODITIES if the commission finds all of the
- 5 following:
- 6 (a) The character and condition of the vehicles proposed to be
- 7 operated by the applicant is such that they may be operated safely
- 8 upon the public highways.
- 9 (b) That the THE applicant is fit, willing, and able to
- 10 provide the transportation to be authorized by the certificate and
- 11 to comply with this act and rules and regulations of the
- 12 commission.
- 13 ———— (c) On the basis of evidence presented, that the service
- 14 proposed will serve a useful public purpose.
- 15 (C) (d) That the THE service proposed is consistent with the
- 16 transportation policy set forth in section 2 of article I.
- 17 (D) THE APPLICANT HAS THE REQUIRED INSURANCE IN PLACE TO
- 18 INSURE THE PROTECTION OF THE PUBLIC.
- 19 (2) In making a finding under subsection (1), the commission
- 20 shall consider and, to the extent applicable, make findings on at
- 21 least all of the following:
- 22 (a) The transportation policy set forth in section 2 of
- 23 article I.
- 24 (b) The character of the bond or insurance proposed to be
- 25 given to insure the protection of the public.
- 26 (c) Whether the applicant is fit, willing, and able to provide
- 27 service commensurate with the extent of the certificate sought.

(3) A motor carrier may not protest an application to provide 1 transportation filed under this section unless all of the following 2 3 requirements are met: (a) The protest is filed with the commission not later than 20 4 days following publication of the notice of the filing of the 5 application in the biweekly bulletin. 6 (b) The motor carrier possesses a certificate of authority or 7 permit authorizing it to handle, in whole or in part, the traffic 8 9 for which an application is made. 10 (c) The motor carrier is willing and able to provide service 11 that meets the reasonable needs of the shippers involved. 12 - (d) The motor carrier has performed service within the scope 13 of the application during the previous 12 month period. (4) The commission may grant leave to intervene to a person 14 15 other than a motor carrier or an applicant for a certificate of 16 authority or permit upon a showing of other interests that are 17 consistent with the transportation policy set forth in section 2 of 18 article I. A petition to intervene shall not be granted unless 19 filed with the commission not later than 20 days following 20 publication of the notice of the filing of the application in the 21 biweekly bulletin except for good cause shown. 22 (5) Any motor carrier having timely filed a protest or any 23 intervenor having timely filed a petition to intervene may 24 participate in person or by counsel, cross-examine witnesses, and 25 offer testimony in support of, or in opposition to, the grant of a

(6) Certificates of authority issued to motor common carriers

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certificate of authority.

- 1 of property under this act shall be of 3 classes:
- 2 (a) Certificates issued to motor carriers as may be operating
- 3 over fixed routes or within 1 mile of a fixed route or between
- 4 fixed termini.
- 5 (b) Certificates issued to motor carriers providing a
- 6 transportation service within an 8-mile radius of a city having a
- 7 population of 500,000 or more and including each city or village, a
- 8 part of which is located within the 8-mile radius.
- 9 (c) Certificates issued to all other motor common carriers of
- 10 property.
- 11 (7) The burden of proof shall be on the protestant to meet the
- 12 requirement of subsection (2)(c).
- Sec. 8. A person, whether motor carrier, shipper, BROKER, or
- 14 consignee, or any officer, employee, agent, or representative of a
- 15 motor carrier, shipper, BROKER, or consignee, who THAT OPERATES
- 16 WITHOUT THE AUTHORITY REQUIRED UNDER THIS ACT, ADVERTISES ITS
- 17 SERVICES WITHOUT FIRST OBTAINING THE AUTHORITY REQUIRED UNDER THIS
- 18 ACT, ACTS AS A BROKER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS, OR THAT knowingly offers,
- 19 grants, or gives, or solicits, accepts, or receives any rebate,
- 20 concession, or discrimination in violation of this act, or who,
- 21 THAT, by means of any false statement or representation, or by the
- 22 use of any false or fictitious bill, bill of lading, receipt,
- 23 voucher, roll, account, claim, certificate, affidavit, deposition,
- 24 lease, or bill of sale, or by any other means or device, knowingly
- 25 and wilfully WILLFULLY assists, suffers, or permits a person to
- 26 obtain transportation of property subject to this article, for less
- 27 than the applicable rate, fare, or charge, or who THAT knowingly

- 1 and wilfully, WILLFULLY, by any means, fraudulently seeks to evade
- 2 or defeat rules as promulgated under this act for motor common
- 3 carriers OF GENERAL COMMODITIES, is guilty of a misdemeanor 7
- 4 punishable by a fine of not more than \$500.00, \$1,000.00 or
- 5 imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both.
- 6 Sec. 9. If a motor common carrier OF GENERAL COMMODITIES does,
- 7 or causes, or permits to be done any act or thing in this act
- 8 prohibited or declared to be unlawful, or omits to do any act or
- 9 thing required to be done by the motor common—carrier OF GENERAL
- 10 COMMODITIES under this act or under any lawful order made by the
- 11 commission, the motor common—carrier OF GENERAL COMMODITIES is
- 12 liable to the person , firm, or corporation injured to the extent
- 13 of the actual amount of damages sustained in consequence of the
- 14 violation. A recovery as provided in UNDER this section shall DOES
- 15 not affect a recovery by the THIS state of the penalty prescribed
- 16 for the violation.
- Sec. 10. (1) The commission shall supervise and regulate all
- 18 motor common—carriers of property—GENERAL COMMODITIES and regulate
- 19 and determine reasonable and sufficient rates, fares, charges, and
- 20 classifications; regulate the facilities, accounts, service, and
- 21 safety of operations of each motor common—carrier OF GENERAL
- 22 COMMODITIES. To insure adequate transportation service to the
- 23 territory traversed by the motor common carriers, the commission
- 24 may require the coordination of the service and schedules of
- 25 competing motor common carriers; require THE COMMISSION MAY DO ANY
- 26 OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 27 (A) REQUIRE the filing of annual and other reports, tariffs,

- 1 schedules, and other data by the motor common carriers OF GENERAL
- 2 COMMODITIES where that information is considered by the commission
- 3 to be necessary for the administration or enforcement, or both, of
- 4 this act. ; supervise
- 5 (B) SUPERVISE and regulate motor common—carriers OF GENERAL
- 6 COMMODITIES in all matters affecting the relation between the motor
- 7 carriers and the public and between motor carriers. ; and
- 8 promulgate
- 9 (C) PROMULGATE rules for the purpose of promoting TO PROMOTE
- 10 safety upon the highways and the conservation of their use AND to
- 11 the end ENSURE that the provisions of this act may be ARE fully and
- 12 completely carried out. The commission, by general order or
- 13 otherwise, shall MAY promulgate rules in conformity with this act
- 14 applicable to all motor common carriers OF GENERAL COMMODITIES, and
- 15 to do all things necessary to carry out and enforce this act.
- 16 (2) In the exercise of its jurisdiction under subsection (1),
- 17 the commission shall not regulate and determine reasonable and
- 18 sufficient rates, fares, charges, and classifications, or require
- 19 the filing of tariffs and schedules, for local moves of household
- 20 goods.
- 21 Sec. 13. A motor common—carrier OF GENERAL COMMODITIES
- 22 authorized by this act to operate shall not abandon or discontinue
- 23 any service established under this act without an order of the
- 24 commission. A MOTOR CARRIER OF GENERAL COMMODITIES SHALL PROVIDE
- 25 WRITTEN NOTICE OF DISCONTINUANCE TO THE COMMISSION IN ACCORDANCE
- 26 WITH THE RULES OF THE COMMISSION. A certificate OF AUTHORITY under
- 27 which service is discontinued for more than 30 days without the

- 1 previous order of this THE commission authorizing the
- 2 discontinuance may be revoked after notice. and hearing.
- 3 Sec. 14. In case of emergency or unusual temporary demands for
- 4 transportation, the fees for additional motor propelled or drawn
- 5 vehicles for limited periods and the circumstances and regulations
- 6 under which they may be permitted to be operated, used, or employed
- 7 by any motor common carrier shall be prescribed and fixed by
- 8 general rule or temporary order of the commission, any provisions
- 9 of this act to the contrary notwithstanding.
- 10 (1) THE COMMISSION MAY ISSUE AN EMERGENCY TEMPORARY MOTOR
- 11 CARRIER AUTHORITY VALID FOR A TIME PERIOD SPECIFIED BY THE
- 12 COMMISSION BUT NOT TO EXCEED 60 DAYS TO AUTHORIZE TRANSPORTATION
- 13 SERVICE FOR WHICH THERE IS AN ACTUAL AND IMMEDIATE EMERGENCY. A
- 14 MOTOR CARRIER OF GENERAL COMMODITIES MAY APPLY FOR AN EMERGENCY
- 15 TEMPORARY MOTOR CARRIER AUTHORITY UNDER THIS SECTION, WITHOUT
- 16 PAYING A FILING FEE, IN PERSON, IN WRITING, BY TELEPHONE, OR BY
- 17 ELECTRONIC MAIL.
- 18 (2) THE COMMISSION MAY REVOKE AN EMERGENCY TEMPORARY MOTOR
- 19 CARRIER AUTHORITY ISSUED UNDER SUBSECTION (1) IF THE TRANSPORTATION
- 20 SERVICE IS NO LONGER NECESSARY OR FOR OTHER GOOD CAUSE.
- 21 (3) A GRANT OF EMERGENCY TEMPORARY MOTOR CARRIER AUTHORITY
- 22 DOES NOT CREATE A PRESUMPTION THAT THE COMMISSION WILL GRANT
- 23 PERMANENT AUTHORITY TO A MOTOR CARRIER OF GENERAL COMMODITIES.
- 24 ARTICLE III
- 25 MOTOR CARRIERS **OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS**
- 26 Sec. 1. A motor contract carrier of property HOUSEHOLD GOODS
- 27 shall not operate any motor vehicle for the transportation of

- 1 property for hire on any public highway in this state except in
- 2 accordance with this act. A motor contract carrier of property
- 3 HOUSEHOLD GOODS shall not operate within this state without first
- 4 having obtained from the commission a permit CERTIFICATE OF
- 5 AUTHORITY for the operation.
- 6 Sec. 2. (1) The commission, upon the filing of an application
- 7 BY A MOTOR CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS for a permit to operate as a
- 8 motor contract carrier, CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY, shall ascertain
- 9 and determine, under those reasonable rules as it promulgates, all
- 10 of the following:
- 11 (a) Whether the character of business to be done by the
- 12 applicant strictly conforms with the definition of a motor contract
- 13 carrier.
- 14 (b) That the character and condition of the vehicles proposed
- 15 to be operated by the applicant is such that they may be operated
- 16 safely upon the public highways.
- 17 (c) The effect that denying the permit would have on the
- 18 shippers of the applicant for the permit.
- 19 (2) Unless the commission determines that the character of
- 20 business to be done does not strictly conform with the definition
- 21 of a motor contract carrier; the transportation to be provided
- 22 under the permit is or will be inconsistent with the transportation
- 23 policy set forth in section 2 of article I; that the applicant is
- 24 unfit; or that the vehicles of the applicant may not be operated
- 25 safely upon the public highways, the application shall be granted,
- 26 in whole or in part, and a permit issued upon lawful terms and
- 27 conditions as the commission imposes, and subject to the rules

- 1 promulgated by the commission, for the whole or for only the
- 2 partial exercise of the privilege sought.PROMULGATED BY THE
- 3 COMMISSION, WHETHER TO ISSUE THE CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY.
- 4 Sec. 4. (1) An application for a permit CERTIFICATE OF
- 5 AUTHORITY shall be in writing, verified by affidavit, ON A FORM
- 6 PRESCRIBED BY THE COMMISSION AND SIGNED BY THE OWNER OR AN OFFICER
- 7 OF THE APPLICANT, stating the experience of the applicant as a
- 8 motor carrier, if any, the ownership and condition of the equipment
- 9 and physical property of the applicant proposed to be used, that
- 10 the vehicles of the applicant have passed an inspection within the
- 11 immediately preceding 12 months, pursuant to the requirements of
- 12 the motor carrier safety act, Act No. 181 of the Public Acts of
- 13 1963, being sections 480.11 to 480.21 of the Michigan Compiled
- 14 Laws, and 49 C.F.R. part 396, the support by shippers or receivers
- 15 for the proposed service, the manner in which the proposed service
- 16 strictly conforms to the definition of contract carriage, and shall
- 17 contain other information as the commission requires. The
- 18 commission may request supplemental information from an applicant
- 19 regarding accident records and citations issued to the applicant or
- 20 drivers of the applicant, within the immediately preceding 12
- 21 months, when such IF THAT information is considered necessary to
- 22 make findings regarding the fitness of the applicant. Each
- 23 application shall be accompanied by the required fees, PROOF OF
- 24 INSURANCE BEFORE OPERATIONS ARE COMMENCED, and all other things
- 25 required by law and the rules of the commission.
- 26 (2) THE COMMISSION MAY REJECT, DISMISS, OR DENY AN APPLICATION
- 27 IF THE APPLICANT FAILS TO COMPLY WITH INSTRUCTIONS ON THE

- 1 APPLICATION FORM DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1).
- 2 SEC. 4A. THE COMMISSION SHALL ISSUE A CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY
- 3 TO AN APPLICANT AUTHORIZING IT TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION AS A MOTOR
- 4 CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS, SUBJECT TO THE JURISDICTION OF THE
- 5 COMMISSION, IF THE COMMISSION FINDS ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 6 (A) THE CHARACTER AND CONDITION OF THE VEHICLES PROPOSED TO BE
- 7 OPERATED BY THE APPLICANT IS SUCH THAT THEY MAY BE OPERATED SAFELY
- 8 UPON THE PUBLIC HIGHWAYS.
- 9 (B) THE APPLICANT IS FIT, WILLING, AND ABLE TO PROVIDE THE
- 10 TRANSPORTATION TO BE AUTHORIZED BY THE CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY AND
- 11 TO COMPLY WITH THIS ACT AND RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE
- 12 COMMISSION.
- 13 (C) THE SERVICE PROPOSED IS CONSISTENT WITH THE TRANSPORTATION
- 14 POLICY SET FORTH IN SECTION 2 OF ARTICLE I.
- 15 (D) THE APPLICANT HAS THE REQUIRED INSURANCE IN PLACE TO
- 16 INSURE THE PROTECTION OF THE PUBLIC.
- 17 Sec. 5. Upon the filing of an application for a permit to
- 18 operate as a motor contract carrier, the commission shall cause
- 19 notice of the filing of the application to be published in a
- 20 biweekly information bulletin. The commission may schedule a
- 21 hearing on the application or proceed under modified procedure. If
- 22 a hearing is scheduled, notice shall be given in the same manner as
- 23 the notice of the filing of any application. A motor carrier may
- 24 not commence operations under authority granted to it by the
- 25 commission for at least 20 days after issuance of the order, nor
- 26 before a permit has been issued.
- 27 (1) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (4), BEFORE

- 1 ENGAGING IN BUSINESS, A MOTOR CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS SUBJECT TO
- 2 THIS ACT SHALL PRINT AND FILE WITH THE COMMISSION AND HAVE
- 3 AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST SCHEDULES SHOWING ALL RATES, FARES, AND
- 4 CHARGES FOR TRANSPORTATION OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS, AND SHALL KEEP ITS
- 5 FACILITIES AND THE SCHEDULES DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION OPEN FOR
- 6 PUBLIC INSPECTION.
- 7 (2) A MOTOR CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS THAT OBTAINS A
- 8 CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY UNDER THIS ACT SHALL NOT CHARGE A
- 9 PREDATORY RATE. THE COMMISSION SHALL DETERMINE WHETHER A MOTOR
- 10 CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS CHARGES A PREDATORY RATE BEFORE ISSUING
- 11 A CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY AND BEFORE THE MOTOR CARRIER OF
- 12 HOUSEHOLD GOODS COMMENCES OPERATIONS. AS USED IN THIS SUBSECTION,
- 13 "PREDATORY RATE" IS A RATE FOUND BY THE COMMISSION TO BE BELOW ITS
- 14 FULLY ALLOCATED COST.
- 15 (3) A MOTOR CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS SHALL NOT RECEIVE OR
- 16 ACCEPT ANY PERSON OR PROPERTY FOR TRANSPORTATION UPON THE HIGHWAYS
- 17 OF THIS STATE UNTIL IT HAS COMPLIED WITH THIS SECTION.
- 18 (4) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A LOCAL MOVE.
- 19 Sec. 6. (1) The commission shall supervise and regulate all
- 20 motor contract carriers of property; promulgate rules covering the
- 21 filing with the commission of the charges, and the operations of
- 22 motor contract carriers in competition with motor common carriers
- 23 over the highways of this state; and promulgate rules for the
- 24 purpose of promoting safety upon the highways and the conservation
- 25 of their use, to the end that the provisions of this act may be
- 26 fully and completely carried out. The commission, by general order
- 27 or otherwise, shall promulgate rules in conformity with this act

- 1 applicable to all motor contract carriers, and to do all things
- 2 necessary to carry out and enforce the provisions of this act. The
- 3 commission may also request the filing of annual reports, and other
- 4 reports in specific cases, where that information is considered by
- 5 the commission to be necessary for the administration or
- 6 enforcement, or both, of this act.
- 7 (2) Each motor contract carrier, in a form as the commission
- 8 prescribes and in accordance with the rules as the commission
- 9 promulgates, shall establish and file with the commission actual
- 10 rates and practices and rules of the contract carrier related to
- 11 those rates. A motor contract carrier shall not be required with
- 12 rate filings to submit evidence of the revenues and expenses to be
- 13 realized in the performance of its authorized functions. A motor
- 14 contract carrier OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS OPERATING UNDER A CONTRACT WITH
- 15 A MANUFACTURER, STORE, OR ANY OTHER ORGANIZATION shall make
- 16 available to the commission its complete contract or contracts, but
- 17 shall not be required to file such contract or contracts with the
- 18 commission SUBMIT THE CONTRACT TO THE COMMISSION FOR APPROVAL. A
- 19 member of the commission, or a clerk, officer, or employee of the
- 20 THIS state shall not divulge or make known, in any manner
- 21 whatsoever not provided by this section, to any person the rate
- 22 filings of a contract MOTOR carrier OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS unless a
- 23 complaint has been brought by order of the commission against a
- 24 contract MOTOR carrier OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS alleging that a rate of a
- 25 contract THE MOTOR carrier OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS or practice or rule
- 26 of the contract MOTOR carrier OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS related to the
- 27 rate or value of service under that rate is predatory. and in

- 1 violation of this act. Rate filings of a contract MOTOR carrier OF
- 2 HOUSEHOLD GOODS OPERATING UNDER A CONTRACT WITH A MANUFACTURER,
- 3 STORE, OR ANY OTHER ORGANIZATION are exempt from disclosure under
- 4 the freedom of information act, 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.231 to 15.246,
- 5 unless a complaint has been brought by order of the commission
- 6 against a contract carrier pursuant to UNDER this section. The
- 7 commission shall review all rate filings to determine that such
- 8 rate filings IF THEY are not predatory. When IF the commission
- 9 finds that a rate of a contract MOTOR carrier OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS or
- 10 practice or rule of the contract A MOTOR carrier OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS
- 11 related to the rate or the value of service under that rate is
- 12 predatory, and in violation of this act, the commission shall
- 13 prescribe the minimum rate, or practice, or rule. In making a
- 14 predatory rate determination and when prescribing a minimum rate,
- 15 or practice, or rule related to a rate for a motor contract carrier
- 16 OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS, the commission shall consider all of the
- 17 following:
- 18 (a) All revenues and costs associated with 1 specific contract
- 19 or appendix to that contract.
- 20 (b) The effect of a prescribed minimum rate, or practice, or
- 21 rule on the movement of traffic by that carrier.
- (c) Other matters as the commission considers necessary.
- 23 (2) (3)—A motor contract—carrier OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS shall not
- 24 receive or accept property for transportation upon the highways
- 25 until IT HAS FILED the statement of charges has been filed with the
- 26 commission.
- 27 (3) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A LOCAL MOVE.

- 1 SEC. 7. (1) A RATE, FARE, OR CHARGE MADE BY A MOTOR CARRIER OF
- 2 HOUSEHOLD GOODS SHALL BE JUST AND REASONABLE AND SHALL NOT BE
- 3 UNJUSTLY DISCRIMINATORY, PREJUDICIAL, OR PREFERENTIAL. A RATE,
- 4 FARE, OR CHARGE MADE BY A MOTOR CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS UNDER A
- 5 CONTRACT WITH A MANUFACTURER, STORE, OR OTHER ENTITY SHALL NOT BE
- 6 CONSIDERED UNJUSTLY DISCRIMINATORY, PREJUDICIAL, OR PREFERENTIAL IN
- 7 DETERMINING WHETHER A MOTOR CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS HAS COMPLIED
- 8 WITH THIS SUBSECTION.
- 9 (2) A MOTOR CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS SHALL NOT CHARGE,
- 10 DEMAND, COLLECT, OR RECEIVE REMUNERATION FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF
- 11 HOUSEHOLD GOODS OR ANY SERVICE CONNECTED WITH THE TRANSPORTATION OF
- 12 HOUSEHOLD GOODS THAT IS GREATER THAN, LESS THAN, OR DIFFERENT FROM
- 13 THE RATES, FARES, AND CHARGES THAT HAVE BEEN LEGALLY ESTABLISHED
- 14 AND FILED WITH THE COMMISSION.
- 15 (3) A MOTOR CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS SHALL NOT REFUND OR
- 16 REMIT IN ANY MANNER OR BY ANY DEVICE A PORTION OF THE RATES, FARES,
- 17 OR CHARGES THAT ARE REQUIRED TO BE COLLECTED BY THE TARIFFS ON FILE
- 18 WITH THE COMMISSION OR ORDERED BY THE COMMISSION.
- 19 (4) THIS ARTICLE DOES NOT PROHIBIT A MOTOR CARRIER OF
- 20 HOUSEHOLD GOODS FROM HAVING AN APPROVED CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY TO
- 21 OPERATE AS A MOTOR CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS OR AS A MOTOR CARRIER
- 22 OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS UNDER A CONTRACT WITH A MANUFACTURER, STORE, OR
- 23 ANY OTHER ENTITY, OR AS A GENERAL COMMODITIES CARRIER.
- 24 (5) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A LOCAL MOVE.
- 25 SEC. 7A. (1) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS ACT,
- 26 THE COMMISSION SHALL NOT INVESTIGATE, SUSPEND, REVISE, OR REVOKE A
- 27 RATE, FARE, OR CHARGE PROPOSED BY A MOTOR CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD

- 1 GOODS ON THE GROUNDS THAT THE RATE, FARE, OR CHARGE IS UNREASONABLY
- 2 HIGH OR LOW IF ALL OF THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS ARE MET:
- 3 (A) THE MOTOR CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS NOTIFIES THE
- 4 COMMISSION THAT IT WISHES THE COMMISSION TO CONSIDER THE RATE,
- 5 FARE, OR CHARGE UNDER THIS SECTION.
- 6 (B) THE RATE, FARE, OR CHARGE IS THE PRODUCT OF INDEPENDENT
- 7 ACTION ON THE PART OF THE MOTOR CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS
- 8 PROPOSING THE RATE, FARE, OR CHARGE.
- 9 (C) THE AGGREGATE OF INCREASES AND REDUCTIONS IN THE RATE,
- 10 FARE, OR CHARGE IS NOT MORE THAN 20% ABOVE OR BELOW THE BASE RATE,
- 11 FARE, OR CHARGE IN EFFECT 1 YEAR BEFORE THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE
- 12 PROPOSED RATE, FARE, OR CHARGE.
- 13 (2) A MOTOR CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS MAY NOT PROTEST A RATE,
- 14 FARE, OR CHARGE PROPOSED BY THAT MOTOR CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS
- 15 UNDER THIS SECTION.
- 16 SEC. 7B. (1) A MOTOR CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS THAT
- 17 TRANSPORTS HOUSEHOLD GOODS IN BOTH STATEWIDE AND LOCAL MOVES SHALL
- 18 PROVIDE A NONBINDING ESTIMATE OF THE APPROXIMATE COST OF THE
- 19 TRANSPORTATION. A NONBINDING ESTIMATE DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION
- 20 SHALL BE REASONABLY ACCURATE AND IS NOT BINDING ON THE MOTOR
- 21 CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS. FOR A MOVE OF GREATER THAN 40 MILES,
- 22 THE FINAL CHARGE FOR A SHIPMENT FOR WHICH A NONBINDING ESTIMATE HAS
- 23 BEEN PREPARED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE THAT APPEARING IN THE
- 24 MOTOR CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS TARIFFS APPLICABLE TO THE
- 25 TRANSPORTATION. A MOTOR CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS SHALL FURNISH A
- 26 NONBINDING ESTIMATE WITHOUT CHARGE AND IN WRITING TO THE SHIPPER OR
- 27 OTHER PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYMENT OF THE FREIGHT CHARGES. FOR A

- 1 MOVE OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS, THE MOTOR CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS SHALL
- 2 RETAIN A COPY OF THE NONBINDING ESTIMATE AS AN ADDENDUM TO THE BILL
- 3 OF LADING. A MOTOR CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS SHALL CLEARLY
- 4 INDICATE ON THE FACE OF A NONBINDING ESTIMATE PREPARED UNDER THIS
- 5 SUBSECTION THAT THE ESTIMATE IS NONBINDING AND THAT THE CHARGES
- 6 SHOWN ARE THE APPROXIMATE CHARGES THAT WILL BE ASSESSED FOR THE
- 7 SERVICES IDENTIFIED IN THE ESTIMATE, AND SHALL CLEARLY DESCRIBE THE
- 8 SHIPMENT AND ALL SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED.
- 9 (2) A MOTOR CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS FURNISHING A NONBINDING
- 10 ESTIMATE UNDER SUBSECTION (1) SHALL ENTER THE ESTIMATED CHARGES ON
- 11 THE BILL OF LADING.
- 12 (3) AT THE TIME OF DELIVERY OF A COLLECT ON DELIVERY SHIPMENT
- 13 FOR WHICH A MOTOR CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS HAS FURNISHED A
- 14 NONBINDING ESTIMATE UNDER SUBSECTION (1), THE SHIPPER MAY REQUEST
- 15 DELIVERY OF THE SHIPMENT UPON PAYMENT IN A FORM ACCEPTABLE TO THE
- 16 MOTOR CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS OF AN AMOUNT NOT EXCEEDING 110% OF
- 17 THE ESTIMATED CHARGES. UPON REQUEST OF THE SHIPPER, THE MOTOR
- 18 CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS SHALL RELINQUISH POSSESSION OF THE
- 19 SHIPMENT UPON PAYMENT OF NOT MORE THAN 110% OF THE ESTIMATED
- 20 CHARGES AND SHALL DEFER A DEMAND FOR PAYMENT OF THE BALANCE OF ANY
- 21 REMAINING CHARGES FOR A PERIOD OF 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF
- 22 DELIVERY. THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A SHIPMENT THAT IS
- 23 DELIVERED TO A WAREHOUSE FOR STORAGE AT THE REQUEST OF A SHIPPER.
- 24 NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS SECTION, A MOTOR
- 25 CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS MAY COLLECT PAYMENT IN EXCESS OF 110% OF
- 26 THE ESTIMATED CHARGES IF PAYMENT IS TENDERED BY THE SHIPPER WITHIN
- 27 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF DELIVERY.

- 1 Sec. 9. (1) If a motor contract carrier OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS
- 2 does or causes or permits to be done any act or thing in this act
- 3 prohibited or declared to be unlawful, or omits to do any act or
- 4 thing required to be done under this act or under any lawful order
- 5 made under this act by the commission, the carrier is liable to the
- 6 person, firm, or corporation injured to the extent of the actual
- 7 amount of damages sustained in consequence of the violation, EXCEPT
- 8 WHEN LIABILITY OF THE CARRIER IS LIMITED TO A VALUE ESTABLISHED BY
- 9 WRITTEN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CARRIER AND THE SHIPPER.
- 10 (2) UNLESS THE LIABILITY OF A MOTOR CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS
- 11 IS LIMITED AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (1), THE MAXIMUM LIABILITY OF
- 12 A MOTOR CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS FOR HOUSEHOLD GOODS THAT ARE
- 13 LOST, DAMAGED, DESTROYED, OR OTHERWISE NOT DELIVERED TO THEIR FINAL
- 14 DESTINATION IS EQUAL TO THE REPLACEMENT VALUE OF THOSE GOODS, NOT
- 15 TO EXCEED A MAXIMUM OF THE DECLARED VALUE OF THE SHIPMENT AND THE
- 16 APPLICABLE TARIFF.
- 17 (3) A recovery as provided in this section shall DOES not
- 18 affect a recovery by the THIS state of the penalty prescribed for
- 19 the violation.
- 20 SEC. 9A. (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (3), THE
- 21 COMMISSION SHALL DO ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 22 (A) SUPERVISE AND REGULATE ALL MOTOR CARRIERS OF HOUSEHOLD
- 23 GOODS.
- 24 (B) REGULATE AND DETERMINE REASONABLE AND SUFFICIENT RATES,
- 25 FARES, CHARGES, AND CLASSIFICATIONS.
- 26 (C) REGULATE THE SERVICE AND SAFETY OF OPERATIONS OF EACH
- 27 MOTOR CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS.

- 1 (2) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (3), THE COMMISSION MAY
- 2 DO ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 3 (A) REQUIRE THE FILING OF ANNUAL AND OTHER REPORTS, TARIFFS,
- 4 SCHEDULES, AND OTHER DATA BY MOTOR CARRIERS OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS IF
- 5 THAT INFORMATION IS NECESSARY FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OR ENFORCEMENT
- 6 OF THIS ACT.
- 7 (B) SUPERVISE AND REGULATE MOTOR CARRIERS OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS
- 8 IN ALL MATTERS AFFECTING THE RELATION BETWEEN MOTOR CARRIERS OF
- 9 HOUSEHOLD GOODS AND THE PUBLIC, AND BETWEEN MOTOR CARRIERS OF
- 10 HOUSEHOLD GOODS.
- 11 (C) PROMULGATE RULES TO PROMOTE SAFETY ON THE HIGHWAYS OF THIS
- 12 STATE.
- 13 (D) BY GENERAL ORDER OR OTHERWISE, PROMULGATE RULES IN
- 14 CONFORMITY WITH THIS ACT APPLICABLE TO ALL MOTOR CARRIERS OF
- 15 HOUSEHOLD GOODS.
- 16 (E) DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT AND ENFORCE THIS ACT.
- 17 (3) THE COMMISSION SHALL NOT REGULATE OR DETERMINE REASONABLE
- 18 AND SUFFICIENT RATES, FARES, CHARGES, OR CLASSIFICATIONS, OR
- 19 REQUIRE THE FILING OF TARIFFS AND SCHEDULES, FOR LOCAL MOVES.
- 20 Sec. 11. Each motor contract carrier of property or passengers
- 21 who HOUSEHOLD GOODS THAT ceases operations or abandons its rights
- 22 under the permit AUTHORITY issued shall notify the commission IN
- 23 WRITING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RULES OF THE COMMISSION within 30
- 24 days of the cessation or abandonment. THE COMMISSION MAY, AFTER
- 25 NOTICE AND A HEARING, REVOKE A CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY UNDER WHICH
- 26 SERVICE IS DISCONTINUED FOR MORE THAN 30 DAYS WITHOUT THE PREVIOUS
- 27 ORDER OF THE COMMISSION AUTHORIZING THE DISCONTINUANCE.

- 1 Sec. 12. In case of AN emergency or unusual temporary demands
- 2 for transportation, AUTHORITY MAY BE ISSUED TO A MOTOR CARRIER OF
- 3 HOUSEHOLD GOODS FOR A TIME SPECIFIED BY the COMMISSION BUT NOT TO
- 4 EXCEED 60 DAYS, TO AUTHORIZE TRANSPORTATION SERVICE FOR WHICH THERE
- 5 IS AN ACTUAL AND IMMEDIATE EMERGENCY. AN APPLICATION FILED UNDER
- 6 THIS SECTION DOES NOT REQUIRE FILING fees for additional motor
- 7 propelled or drawn vehicles for limited periods and the
- 8 circumstances and regulations under which they may be permitted to
- 9 be operated, used, or employed by any motor contract carrier shall
- 10 be prescribed and fixed by general rule or temporary order of the
- 11 commission, any provisions of this act to the contrary
- 12 notwithstanding.MADE IN PERSON, IN WRITING, BY TELEPHONE, OR BY
- 13 ELECTRONIC MAIL. ALL OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY TO AN EMERGENCY
- 14 TEMPORARY AUTHORITY ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION:
- 15 (A) THE COMMISSION SHALL DETERMINE THE TARIFF REQUIREMENTS FOR
- 16 AN EMERGENCY TEMPORARY AUTHORITY UNDER THIS SECTION.
- 17 (B) THE COMMISSION MAY REVOKE AN EMERGENCY TEMPORARY AUTHORITY
- 18 IF IT DETERMINES THAT THE TRANSPORTATION SERVICE IS NO LONGER
- 19 REQUIRED OR FOR OTHER GOOD CAUSE.
- 20 (C) A GRANT OF EMERGENCY TEMPORARY AUTHORITY DOES NOT
- 21 ESTABLISH A PRESUMPTION THAT THE COMMISSION WILL GRANT PERMANENT
- 22 AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION IN A SUBSEQUENT APPLICATION.
- 23 ARTICLE IV
- 24 FEES
- 25 Sec. 1. Each—AN application filed with the commission for a
- 26 certificate of authority or for a permit, as required by UNDER this
- 27 act -shall be accompanied by a fee of \$100.00. Each-AN application

- 1 filed with the commission for the renewal of a certificate or
- 2 permit—shall be accompanied by a fee of \$50.00 for the
- 3 administration of this act, which fee-shall be in addition to all
- 4 other fees —and shall be retained by the commission and deposited
- 5 with the state treasurer, whether or not the certificate or permit
- 6 or the renewal of the certificate or permit is granted.
- 7 Sec. 2. (1) In addition to the license fees or taxes otherwise
- 8 imposed upon motor carriers, there THE COMMISSION shall be assessed
- 9 ASSESS against and collected COLLECT from each motor carrier for
- 10 the administration of this act —an annual fee of \$100.00 for each
- 11 self-propelled intrastate motor vehicle operated by or on behalf of
- 12 the motor carrier, except as otherwise provided in this subsection.
- 13 A motor carrier shall pay a fee of only \$50.00 for each self-
- 14 propelled intrastate motor vehicle operated by or on behalf of the
- 15 motor carrier if the motor carrier begins operation of the
- 16 vehicle after June 30 and has not previously paid a fee under this
- 17 subsection for that vehicle. After payment of the \$100.00 annual
- 18 fee for an intrastate motor vehicle, or the \$50.00 fee paid for a
- 19 vehicle operated after June 30, or the \$50.00 fee paid for a
- 20 vehicle used for the transportation of household goods if a motor
- 21 carrier seeks to begin operating a self-propelled intrastate motor
- 22 vehicle in place of another motor vehicle not leased to the motor
- 23 carrier by an owner operator for which a fee was paid and
- 24 surrenders the identification allocated to the motor vehicle by the
- 25 commission, accompanied by a fee of \$10.00, THE COMMISSION SHALL
- 26 ISSUE a replacement identification. shall be issued. If the owner
- 27 operator replaces a vehicle while it is still leased to the same

- 1 motor carrier to whom it was leased when the identification was
- 2 issued, the replacement identification fee shall be IS \$10.00. For
- 3 each truck or tractor used exclusively for the transportation of
- 4 household goods as defined by the commission, the annual fee shall
- **5** be **IS** \$50.00.
- 6 (2) THE COMMISSION SHALL REVOKE THE INTRASTATE AUTHORITY OF A
- 7 UCR CARRIER THAT FAILS TO RENEW ITS ANNUAL UCR REGISTRATION BY
- 8 JANUARY 1.
- 9 (3) (2) The commission may issue a temporary 72-hour permit
- 10 for the operation of a vehicle subject to rules and conditions of
- 11 the commission at a fee of \$10.00, which is in place of any other
- 12 fee otherwise required under this section. The commission shall
- 13 reserve the authority to deny or curtail the use of A temporary
- 14 permits PERMIT authorized by this section.
- 15 (4) (3)—A motor carrier shall not operate any motor vehicle
- 16 upon or over the highways of this state, except as otherwise
- 17 provided in this act, while any of the fees imposed by this act
- 18 remain unpaid.
- 19 (4) Motor carriers subject to this act shall not be required
- 20 to pay the fee on operations of vehicles within the area described
- 21 in section 2(1)(a) of article V.
- 22 ARTICLE V
- 23 POLICY OF STATE, EXEMPTIONS, LIMITATIONS, GENERAL REGULATIONS AND
- 24 PROCEDURE; PENALTIES; MISCELLANEOUS
- 25 Sec. 2. (1) Except as provided in section 7 of article IV,
- 26 this act does not apply to any of the following:
- 27 (a) A vehicle, other than a vehicle transporting household

- 1 goods or motor vehicles, operated entirely within a city or village
- 2 of this state; or to a motor carrier of property, other than a
- 3 motor carrier of household goods or motor vehicles, whose
- 4 operations may extend a distance of not more than 8 miles beyond
- 5 the boundary of a city or village having a population of less than
- 6 500,000, if the origin and destination of the property being
- 7 transported is within an 8-mile radius of the city or village. The
- 8 territory within the external corporate limits of a city, even
- 9 though it includes and embraces the area of 1 or more separately
- 10 organized and existing cities, shall be considered a single city.
- 11 Notwithstanding any other provision of this subdivision, a
- 12 certificate or permit issued under this act is required for the
- 13 operation of a vehicle of a motor carrier, including a vehicle
- 14 transporting household goods, other than a vehicle exempted under
- 15 subdivisions (b) to (q), in the transportation of property between
- 16 a city having a population of 500,000 or more and a city or village
- 17 located within the commercial zone of a city having a population of
- 18 500,000 or more, or between cities or villages within that
- 19 commercial zone. As used in this subdivision, "commercial zone"
- 20 means the area within an 8-mile radius of a city having a
- 21 population of 500,000 or more and includes all cities and villages,
- 22 any part of which are located within that 8-mile radius.
- 23 (A) (b)—A vehicle owned or operated by the THIS state or the
- 24 United States, or by a state or federal corporation, agency, or
- 25 instrumentality.
- 26 (B) (c) A vehicle owned or operated by an incorporated city,
- 27 village, or school district, or by a county or township in the THIS

- 1 state or by a corporation, agency, or instrumentality of the THIS
- 2 state, for governmental purposes.
- 3 (C) (d) A vehicle used exclusively for carrying United States
- 4 mail.
- 5 (D) (e) A vehicle used for the transportation of farm
- 6 products, including livestock, when transported by A PERSON other
- 7 than the owner, from the farm to the market in the raw state, or
- 8 used for the transportation of milk from the farm to milk stations,
- 9 or trucks—A TRUCK owned by a farmer bearing a farm truck license
- 10 issued under section 801(1)(c) of the Michigan vehicle code, 1949
- 11 PA 300, MCL 257.801, when being used by the farmer in hauling farm
- 12 produce, livestock, or farm equipment, and supplies for other
- 13 farmers for remuneration in kind or in labor, but not for money.
- 14 (E) (f) A vehicle used for the transportation of fruits, eggs,
- 15 poultry, fish and seafood, grain, vegetables, seeds, nursery stock,
- 16 horticultural products, and OR sugar beets. This subdivision shall
- 17 DOES not exempt a vehicle transporting the commodities described in
- 18 this subdivision in other than the raw state.
- 19 (F) (g)—A vehicle used for occasional accommodative service
- 20 including OF seasonal transportation of perishable commodities even
- 21 though the cost of the accommodative service and seasonal
- 22 transportation of perishable commodities may be paid by the person
- 23 accommodated.
- 24 (G) (h)—A dump truck having not more than 4 axles or any dump
- 25 vehicle moving directly to and from a public highway, airport, or
- 26 railroad or bridge construction site, when used for the
- 27 transportation of sand, gravel, slag, stone, limestone, crushed

- 1 stone, marl, pebbles, cinders, bituminous aggregates, asphalt,
- 2 blacktop, dirt, or fill material, or any dump vehicle transporting
- 3 commodities generally transported in the dump vehicle operating
- 4 within an 8-mile radius of a city having a population of 500,000 or
- 5 more and including all other cities or villages, any part of which
- 6 is located within the 8-mile radius.
- 7 (H) (i) A vehicle used for the transportation of pulpwood,
- 8 logs, wood chips, bark, and sawdust when the vehicle is being used
- 9 to move the commodities from a forest, woodlot, cutting site,
- 10 sawmill, or chipping site to a market or railroad siding of not
- 11 more than a 140-mile radius from the place where the vehicle is
- 12 loaded.
- (I) (j) A vehicle having a manufacturer's rating of not more
- 14 than 1-1/2 tons capacity or the equivalent gross vehicle weight
- 15 rating used for the transportation of newspapers.
- 16 (J) (k) A vehicle used in the transportation of livestock,
- 17 poultry feed, chemicals, pesticides, and OR fertilizers on
- 18 movements directly to a farm for use in agricultural production.
- 19 (K) (l)—A vehicle used for the transportation of property for
- 20 compensation provided by a person who is a member of a corporate
- 21 family for other members of the corporate family, if all of the
- 22 following conditions are met:
- 23 (i) The parent corporation notifies the commission annually of
- 24 its intent or the intent of 1 of its subsidiaries to provide the
- 25 transportation.
- 26 (ii) The notice described in subparagraph (i) contains a list of
- 27 participating subsidiaries and an affidavit that the parent

- 1 corporation owns directly or indirectly a 100% interest in each of
- 2 the subsidiaries.
- 3 (iii) The notice described in subparagraph (i) is accompanied by
- 4 a fee of \$100.00.
- 5 (iv) The commission publishes the notice described in
- 6 subparagraph (i) in the biweekly bulletin.
- 7 (iv) $\frac{(v)}{v}$ A copy of the notice described in subparagraph (i) is
- 8 carried in the cab of all vehicles conducting the transportation.
- 9 (1) (m) A vehicle transporting animal and poultry feed or feed
- 10 ingredients to sites of agricultural production or to a business
- 11 enterprise engaged in the sale to agricultural producers of goods
- 12 used in agricultural production.
- 13 (M) (n)—A vehicle transporting recyclable materials to or from
- 14 a resource recovery facility. The terms AS USED IN THIS
- 15 SUBDIVISION, "recyclable materials" and "resource recovery
- 16 facility" have the meanings attributed to these MEAN THOSE terms AS
- 17 DEFINED in part 115 of the natural resources and environmental
- 18 protection act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.11501 to 324.11550, except
- 19 that the term recyclable materials does not include industrial
- 20 scrap metal. This subdivision shall DOES not be construed to exempt
- 21 from this act a vehicle transporting new products FROM THIS ACT.
- 22 (N) (o)—A vehicle transporting property for, or on behalf of,
- 23 a nonprofit charitable institution or for a house of public
- 24 worship.
- 25 (2) As used in subsection $\frac{(1)(l)}{(l)}$, "corporate family"
- 26 means a group of corporations consisting of a parent corporation
- 27 and all subsidiaries in which the parent corporation owns directly

- 1 or indirectly a 100% interest.
- 2 (3) None of the THE exemptions in this section , where
- 3 applicable, DO NOT apply to a vehicle entering this state from
- 4 another state, foreign country, or subdivision of a state or
- 5 foreign country that does not extend similar exemptions to vehicles
- 6 from this state entering the state, foreign country, or subdivision
- 7 OF THE STATE OR FOREIGN COUNTRY.
- 8 Sec. 5. No-EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION, A
- 9 certificate and no permit—issued under the terms of—this act shall
- 10 be construed to be IS NOT a franchise nor to be AND IS NOT
- 11 irrevocable, and no such certificate and no such permit shall NOT
- 12 be assigned or otherwise transferred without the approval of the
- 13 commission. : Provided, however, That upon UPON the death or
- 14 bankruptcy of any AN individual holding a currently valid
- 15 certificate, or permit, the commission shall authorize the transfer
- 16 of said THE certificate or permit to the legal representative of
- 17 such person THAT INDIVIDUAL upon due proof of such HIS OR HER death
- 18 or bankruptcy and upon due proof of the qualifications of such THE
- 19 legal representative to act in such THE matter. Nothing contained
- 20 herein shall—THIS SECTION DOES NOT abrogate the provisions of
- 21 sections 10, 14 and 18 of this article, nor—section 13 of article 2
- 22 of this act, nor II, OR section 11 of article 3 of this act. III.
- 23 Sec. 6. (1)—The commission shall prescribe the forms of
- 24 applications for certificates and permits, and promulgate rules
- 25 pertaining to REGARDING the contents and filing of applicants, and
- 26 is empowered to administer and enforce all provisions of this act,
- 27 and to establish and enforce rules affecting the operations of all

- 1 motor carriers subjected SUBJECT to the provisions of this act
- 2 affecting their use of the highways, and affecting the conduct of
- 3 investigations and hearings authorized in this act, and also in
- 4 WITH respect of TO all matters pertaining to the proper enforcement
- 5 of all provisions and purposes of this act. The rules shall be
- 6 promulgated and become effective only pursuant to and in compliance
- 7 with Act No. 306 of the Public Acts of 1969, as amended, being
- 8 sections 24.201 to 24.315 of the Michigan Compiled Laws. UNDER THE
- 9 ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT OF 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 TO
- 10 24.328. The rules may be rescinded, suspended, modified, and
- 11 amended at any time in the discretion of the commission and in
- 12 accordance with Act No. 306 of the Public Acts of 1969, as amended,
- 13 AS PROVIDED IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT OF 1969, 1969 PA
- 14 306, MCL 24.201 TO 24.328, to effectuate the purposes of this act.
- 15 All rules promulgated by the commission shall be given and shall
- 16 have the force and effect of law.
- 17 (2) The commission shall provide for the issuance of a
- 18 bulletin of notices of hearings, applications, and notices of the
- 19 transfer of permits or certificates, the filing with it of rates,
- 20 fares, and charges and any other matters relating to its powers and
- 21 duties regulating transportation. The bulletin shall be issued
- 22 biweekly and mailed to each holder of an intrastate motor carrier
- 23 authority from the commission. The mailing of the bulletin to the
- 24 motor carrier at its registered place of business is to constitute
- 25 official notice to the motor carrier of the applications, hearings,
- 26 transfer of certificates or permits, and other official business of
- 27 the commission as appears in the bulletin, and no other notice

- 1 thereof need be given the motor carriers except as is otherwise in
- 2 this act expressly required. The bulletin shall be furnished and
- 3 mailed to the public upon payment by anyone subscribing for the
- 4 bulletin of an annual fee to be fixed by the commission with due
- 5 regard to cost and the interest of the public in its activities.
- 6 Sec. 6a. (1) This section applies to all matters before the
- 7 commission for which the commission has jurisdiction under article
- 8 II.III.
- 9 (2) A change MOTOR CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS shall not be
- 10 made in CHANGE any general rate nor shall a OR change be made in
- 11 any rate, fare, charge, or classification, or any rule or practice
- 12 affecting the rate, fare, charge, or classification, or the value
- 13 of the service thereunder, specified in any effective tariff of any
- 14 motor carrier for hire, except for UNLESS IT HAS GIVEN 30 days'
- 15 notice, or 45 days' notice in a general rate increase or reduction,
- 16 to the commission and to the public, filed and posted in accordance
- 17 with AS PROVIDED IN section 6 of article II III except that changes
- 18 in rates, fares, charges, or classifications or the value of
- 19 service thereunder made pursuant to UNDER section 7a of article ##
- 20 III shall be made on 10 days' notice. The notice shall plainly
- 21 state the change proposed to be made and the time when the change
- 22 will take effect. The commission may, in its discretion AND after
- 23 good cause shown, allow changes upon less time than the notice
- 24 specified in this subsection or modify the requirements in this
- 25 section in respect to REGARDING publishing, posting, and filing of
- 26 tariffs, either in particular instances or by general order
- 27 applicable to special or peculiar circumstances or conditions.

- 1 (3) Upon the filing with the commission by any motor carrier
- 2 for hire OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS of any tariff or supplement showing any
- 3 A change in rates, fares, charges, or classification, or any A rule
- 4 or practice affecting the rate, fare, charge, or classification, or
- 5 the value of the service thereunder, the commission, upon notice to
- 6 the motor carrier OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS, may postpone the date when
- 7 the new rate, fare, charge, classification, rule, or practice shall
- 8 become BECOMES effective to a time not to exceed 60 days to give
- 9 the commission opportunity to investigate the reasonableness of the
- 10 proposed rate, fare, charge, classification, rule, or practice. The
- 11 commission may proceed with an investigation upon at least 10 days'
- 12 notice to the motor carrier OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS as to the
- 13 reasonableness of the rate, fare, charge, classification, rule, or
- 14 practice. The investigation shall take TAKES precedence over all
- 15 matters of a different nature pending before the commission under
- 16 this act.
- 17 (4) Except in an emergency satisfactorily shown to the
- 18 commission, THE COMMISSION SHALL NOT CONSIDER a petition for
- 19 suspension shall not be considered unless THE PETITION WAS filed at
- 20 least 10 days before the effective date of the proposed change in
- 21 rate, charge, fare, classification, rule, or practice. The petition
- 22 or order shall be definite and specific and a copy shall be served
- 23 upon all motor carriers OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS affected at the time of
- 24 filing or issuance. However, service upon an agent who has issued
- 25 and filed a tariff or schedule in ON behalf of a motor carrier or
- 26 carriers OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS shall be considered to be due and
- 27 sufficient service upon the motor carrier or carriers. OF HOUSEHOLD

- 1 GOODS. The petition or order must recite the specific facts relied
- 2 upon to establish that failure to postpone will work a special
- 3 hardship on the petitioner —that cannot otherwise be avoided.
- 4 (5) At any A hearing involving a change in a rate, fare,
- 5 charge, classification, rule, or practice, the burden of proof
- 6 shall be upon IS ON the MOTOR carrier OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS to show
- 7 that the proposed changed rate, fare, charge, classification, rule,
- 8 or practice is just and reasonable.
- 9 Sec. 6b. (1) This section applies to all matters before the
- 10 commission for which the commission has jurisdiction under article
- 11 II. If 2 or more motor carriers OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS desire to
- 12 jointly consider and initiate rates, fares, classifications,
- 13 divisions, allowances, charges, or rules, of the motor carriers,
- 14 those joint considerations and initiations shall only be conducted
- 15 pursuant to UNDER an agreement which THAT is submitted to, and
- 16 approved by, the commission under rules promulgated by the
- 17 commission. The commission shall by order approve the agreement if
- 18 it finds that it THE AGREEMENT conforms with the requirements of
- 19 subsections (2) to (9). The commission shall not eliminate
- 20 collective rate-making by application of its authority under this
- 21 section.
- 22 (2) The motor MOTOR carriers who OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS THAT are
- 23 parties to an agreement approved by the commission under this
- 24 section shall submit proposed rates, fares, classifications,
- 25 divisions, allowances, charges, or rules of the motor carriers to
- 26 the commission. The proposed rates, fares, classifications,
- 27 divisions, allowances, charges, or rules of the motor carriers

- 1 shall ARE not be effective unless they are submitted to the
- 2 commission and are permitted under the provisions of this act and
- 3 the rules promulgated under this act.
- 4 (3) Each—A conference, bureau, committee, or other
- 5 organization established pursuant to UNDER an agreement approved by
- 6 the commission under this section shall maintain those ITS
- 7 accounts, records, files, and memoranda and shall submit to the
- 8 commission information and the reports as prescribed by the
- 9 commission. All the accounts, records, files, and memoranda shall
- 10 be ARE subject to inspection by the commission or its authorized
- 11 representative.
- 12 (4) Each motor carrier which OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS THAT is a
- 13 party to an agreement described in this section shall file with the
- 14 commission a verified statement that specifies its name, its
- 15 mailing address, and the telephone number of its main office; the
- 16 names and addresses of each of its affiliates; the names,
- 17 addresses, and affiliates of each of its officers and directors;
- 18 AND the names, addresses, and affiliates of each person, who
- 19 together with an affiliate owning or controlling any debt, equity,
- 20 or security interest in it has a value of at least \$100.00. As used
- 21 in this subsection:
- (a) "Affiliate" means a person controlling, controlled by, or
- 23 under common control or ownership with another person.
- 24 (b) "Ownership" means equity holdings in a business entity of
- 25 at least 5%.
- 26 (5) A meeting of a conference, bureau, committee, or other
- 27 organization established pursuant to UNDER an agreement approved by

- 1 the commission under this section which THAT includes motor carrier
- 2 tariffs, rates, fares, or charges as matters of discussion or
- 3 decision shall be open and all persons shall be allowed to attend
- 4 meetings.
- 5 (6) Notice of the A meeting described in subsection (5) must
- 6 SHALL be posted at the principal place of business of the
- 7 organization and at the commission at least 8 working days before
- 8 the date of the meeting. The notice must SHALL contain the name of
- 9 the organization, its address, its telephone number, a meeting
- 10 docket or agenda, and the place, date, and time of the meeting.
- 11 (7) Minutes of a meeting described in subsection (5) shall be
- 12 kept by the organization and shall become MADE available to the
- 13 general public and shall be submitted to the commission on or
- 14 before the eighth working day after a THE meeting. Minutes of other
- 15 meetings shall be maintained by the organization for 1 year after
- 16 the meeting. Minutes for OF a meeting described in subsection (5)
- 17 shall contain the date, time, and place of meeting; members
- 18 present; members absent; and decisions taken. Votes on rates,
- 19 fares, charges, or tariff items shall be recorded. Notice of other
- 20 meetings described in subsection (5) shall be sent to the
- 21 commission on or before the eighth working day after the meeting
- 22 and shall contain the date, time, and place; members present;
- 23 members absent; and purpose of meeting.
- 24 (8) The commission shall not approve under this section any AN
- 25 agreement between or among MOTOR carriers OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS of
- 26 different modes unless the agreement is limited to matters relating
- 27 to transportation under joint rates or over through routes.

- 1 (9) The commission shall not approve under this section any
- 2 agreement which THAT establishes a procedure for the determination
- 3 of any matter through joint consideration unless it finds that
- 4 under the agreement there is accorded to each party HAS the free
- 5 and unrestrained right to take independent action after any A
- 6 determination is arrived at through the procedure.
- 7 (10) The commission, upon complaint by a shipper or receiver
- 8 of freight transported under jointly considered and initiated rates
- 9 and charges or by a MOTOR carrier OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS THAT IS party
- 10 to an agreement approved by the commission under this section, may
- 11 investigate and determine whether any—AN agreement previously
- 12 approved by it under this section has been violated in a manner
- 13 contrary to the transportation policy set forth in section 2 of
- 14 article I. After investigation, the commission shall, by order,
- 15 direct the parties to the agreement to cease and desist from
- 16 violations of that agreement and this section if it finds the
- 17 action necessary to assure conformity with the transportation
- 18 policy. The effective date of any—A cease and desist order shall be
- 19 postponed for a period which THAT the commission determines to be
- 20 reasonably necessary to avoid undue hardships. Any A commission
- 21 decision issued after December 28, 1982 which THAT has terminated a
- 22 previously approved agreement for reasons or on terms inconsistent
- 23 with this section shall be null and void.
- 24 (11) An THE COMMISSION SHALL NOT ENTER AN order shall not be
- 25 entered under this section unless interested parties have been
- 26 afforded reasonable notice and opportunity for hearing.
- 27 Sec. 7. (1) A MOTOR carrier providing transportation of

- 1 household goods subject to jurisdiction of this act shall issue a
- 2 receipt or bill of lading for property it receives for
- 3 transportation under this article. That carrier, as well as any
- 4 other MOTOR carrier OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS that delivers the property
- 5 and provides transportation of household goods subject to
- 6 jurisdiction of this act, is liable to the person entitled to
- 7 recover under the receipt or bill of lading. The liability imposed
- 8 under this subsection is for the actual loss or injury to the
- 9 property caused by the carrier over whose line or route the
- 10 property is transported in Michigan THIS STATE and applies to
- 11 property reconsigned or diverted by a tariff under this act.
- 12 Failure to issue a receipt or bill of lading does not affect the
- 13 liability of the carrier.
- 14 (2) A MOTOR carrier OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS may not provide, by
- 15 rule, contract, or otherwise, a period of less than 3 months for
- 16 filing a claim against it under this section and a period of less
- 17 than 2 years for bringing a civil action against it under this
- 18 section. The period for bringing a civil action is computed from
- 19 the date the carrier gives a claimant written notice that the
- 20 carrier has disallowed any part of the claim specified in the
- 21 notice.
- 22 (3) For purposes of this subsection, BOTH OF the following
- 23 apply:
- 24 (a) An offer of compromise shall IS not constitute a
- 25 disallowance of any part of the claim unless the carrier, in
- 26 writing, informs the claimant that such THE part of the claim is
- 27 disallowed and provides reasons for such THE disallowance.

- 1 (b) Communications received from a carrier's insurer shall—ARE
- 2 not constitute a disallowance of any part of the claim unless the
- 3 insurer, in writing, informs the claimant that the part of the
- 4 claim is disallowed, provides reason for the disallowance, and
- 5 informs the claimant that the insurer is acting on behalf of the
- 6 carrier.
- 7 Sec. 8. (1) The commission shall furnish proper A DECAL and
- 8 sufficient identification CAB CARD for each vehicle that an
- 9 intrastate-only motor carrier of property GENERAL COMMODITIES is
- 10 authorized to operate or that a motor carrier OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS is
- 11 authorized to operate for transporting household goods under this
- 12 act, in addition to the regular registration or license plates
- 13 required by law. A CAB CARD SHALL BE CARRIED IN THE VEHICLE FOR
- 14 WHICH IT WAS ISSUED. A DECAL SHALL BE ATTACHED TO A CONSPICUOUS
- 15 LOCATION ON THE VEHICLE FOR WHICH IT WAS ISSUED AS DIRECTED BY THE
- 16 COMMISSION. The commission is authorized to MAY remove and take
- 17 custody of any identification A DECAL found attached to a motor
- 18 vehicle for which it was not issued, or when the holder of the
- 19 identification DECAL has made or is making unlawful use thereof.OF
- 20 THE DECAL.
- 21 (2) A MOTOR CARRIER GRANTED INTRASTATE AUTHORITY UNDER THIS
- 22 ACT, INCLUDING A UCR MOTOR CARRIER OPERATING INTRASTATE, SHALL
- 23 COMPLY WITH ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 24 (A) BEFORE COMMENCING SERVICE, THE NAME, CITY, AND STATE OF
- 25 THE MOTOR CARRIER OR THE REGISTERED LOGO OR EMBLEM OF THE MOTOR
- 26 CARRIER SHALL BE PERMANENTLY PLACED IN A CONSPICUOUS PLACE ON BOTH
- 27 SIDES OF ALL POWER VEHICLES IN PLAIN LETTERS AND IN CONTRASTING

- 1 COLORS, WITH NUMBERS NOT LESS THAN 3 INCHES IN HEIGHT. A VEHICLE
- 2 THAT IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE FEDERAL MOTOR
- 3 CARRIER SAFETY REGULATIONS, 49 CFR PARTS 390 TO 399, IS IN
- 4 COMPLIANCE WITH THIS SUBDIVISION.
- 5 (B) THE LETTERS "MPSC" AND THE ACCOUNT NUMBER OF THE MOTOR
- 6 CARRIER SHALL BE PLACED IN A CONSPICUOUS PLACE ON BOTH SIDES OF ALL
- 7 POWER VEHICLES IN PLAIN LETTERS AND IN CONTRASTING COLORS, WITH
- 8 NUMBERS NOT LESS THAN 1.5 INCHES IN HEIGHT.
- 9 (C) EACH POWER VEHICLE SHALL BE GIVEN A SEPARATE ACCOUNTING
- 10 NUMBER, WHICH SHALL BE PLACED ON BOTH SIDES OF THE POWER VEHICLE IN
- 11 A CONSPICUOUS PLACE IN PLAIN NUMBERS NOT LESS THAN 3 INCHES IN
- 12 HEIGHT AND IN CONTRASTING COLORS.
- 13 (D) THE NUMBERS AND LETTERS DESCRIBED IN SUBDIVISIONS (A) TO
- 14 (C) SHALL REMAIN ON THE VEHICLE ONLY WHEN IT IS OPERATED UNDER AN
- 15 ACTIVE AUTHORITY ISSUED BY THE COMMISSION.
- 16 (E) IF A MOTOR CARRIER PERMANENTLY REMOVES A VEHICLE FROM
- 17 OPERATION UNDER AN AUTHORITY ISSUED BY THE COMMISSION, THE MOTOR
- 18 CARRIER SHALL PROMPTLY REMOVE THE IDENTIFICATION LETTERS, NUMBERS,
- 19 AND DECALS FROM THE VEHICLE.
- 20 (F) A MOTOR CARRIER THAT SELLS, TRADES, TRANSFERS, OR
- 21 OTHERWISE DISPOSES OF AN AUTHORITY ISSUED BY THE COMMISSION OR
- 22 WHOSE AUTHORITY HAS BEEN DENIED, REVOKED, SUSPENDED, OR TEMPORARILY
- 23 DISCONTINUED SHALL NOT USE ITS AUTHORITY IDENTIFICATION LETTERS OR
- 24 NUMBERS IN ADVERTISING FOR ITS SERVICES.
- 25 (G) EXCEPT AS APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION, A MOTOR CARRIER
- 26 SHALL NOT OPERATE A SELF-PROPELLED MOTOR VEHICLE UNDER A
- 27 CERTIFICATE OR PERMIT ISSUED BY THE COMMISSION UNLESS THERE IS AN

- 1 APPROVED SUMMARY OF THE MOTOR CARRIER'S OPERATING AUTHORITY. A
- 2 MOTOR CARRIER SHALL KEEP THE SUMMARY DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBDIVISION
- 3 CLEAN AND LEGIBLE AT ALL TIMES.
- 4 (H) A MOTOR CARRIER SHALL NOT OPERATE ADDED EQUIPMENT UNTIL
- 5 THE IDENTIFICATION INFORMATION DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1) HAS BEEN
- 6 ISSUED AND ATTACHED TO THE VEHICLE.
- 7 Sec. 9. (1) Insurance and bond requirements. The commission
- 8 shall have HAS full power and authority to make and shall make such
- 9 insurance or bond requirements for intrastate-only motor carriers
- 10 of property GENERAL COMMODITIES and motor carriers of household
- 11 goods as it may deem DEEMS necessary adequately to protect the
- 12 interests of the public.
- 13 (2) A MOTOR CARRIER SUBJECT TO THIS ACT MUST DEMONSTRATE
- 14 COMPLIANCE WITH THE WORKER'S DISABILITY COMPENSATION ACT OF 1969,
- 15 1969 PA 317, MCL 418.101 TO 418.941, AND SHALL DEMONSTRATE
- 16 COMPLIANCE TO THE COMMISSION UNDER THE FOLLOWING CIRCUMSTANCES:
- 17 (A) UPON INITIAL APPLICATION FOR OPERATING AUTHORITY UNDER
- 18 THIS ACT.
- 19 (B) UPON REQUEST OF THE COMMISSION, IF THE MOTOR CARRIER'S
- 20 WORKER'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE HAS LAPSED.
- 21 (3) THE COMMISSION SHALL WORK WITH THE WORKER'S COMPENSATION
- 22 AGENCY TO IMPLEMENT THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION (2).
- 23 Sec. 10. (1) All certificates or permits—A CERTIFICATE granted
- 24 to AN intrastate-only motor carriers CARRIER of property and
- 25 GENERAL COMMODITIES OR A motor carriers transporting CARRIER OF
- 26 household goods shall be made to terminate as of TERMINATES ON
- 27 December 31 of the calendar year during which the certificate ox

- 1 permit is WAS issued. All AN intrastate-only motor carriers CARRIER
- 2 of property and GENERAL COMMODITIES OR motor carriers transporting
- 3 CARRIER OF household goods shall make application APPLY for the
- 4 renewal of their certificates or permits not before ITS CERTIFICATE
- 5 NO EARLIER THAN October 1 and not NO later than December 1 of the
- 6 year in which their ITS current certificate or permit expires.
- 7 Certificate and permit holders A CERTIFICATE HOLDER THAT DOES not
- 8 making application APPLY by December 1 shall be advised by the
- 9 commission and given the opportunity to file their applications on
- or before December 31 on payment of ASSESSED a penalty of \$50.00
- 11 PER MONTH FOR EACH MONTH OR PARTIAL MONTH THAT THE APPLICATION IS
- 12 LATE. The renewal application shall be accompanied with the
- 13 required fees, proof of insurance, and all other things required to
- 14 be filed with the commission by law or by the rules and orders of
- 15 the commission. IF THE COMMISSION DETERMINES THAT A RENEWAL
- 16 APPLICATION RECEIVED BEFORE DECEMBER 1 IS INCOMPLETE, THE
- 17 COMMISSION SHALL SEND A NOTICE OF NONCOMPLIANCE TO THE MOTOR
- 18 CARRIER. THE COMMISSION SHALL NOT ASSESS THE LATE FEE DESCRIBED IN
- 19 THIS SUBSECTION AGAINST A MOTOR CARRIER THAT COMPLIES WITH THE
- 20 TERMS OF THE NOTICE OF NONCOMPLIANCE BY DECEMBER 31 OF THE YEAR IN
- 21 WHICH THE APPLICATION IS REQUIRED TO BE MADE.
- 22 (2) The certificate or permit of any AN intrastate-only motor
- 23 carrier of property GENERAL COMMODITIES or motor carrier
- 24 transporting OF household goods who is delinquent in the PROVIDING
- 25 REQUIRED DOCUMENTS OR payment of the earned fees required by this
- 26 act to be paid at the time of any renewal thereof shall be deemed
- 27 OF THE CERTIFICATE SHALL BE canceled and terminated , on and after

- 1 January 1 of the year for which application should have been made
- 2 under the requirements of this section. Upon expiration, an
- 3 intrastate-only motor carrier of property shall be GENERAL
- 4 COMMODITIES IS prohibited from operating any of its vehicles and a
- 5 motor carrier authorized to transport OF household goods shall be
- 6 IS prohibited from operating any vehicle to transport household
- 7 goods or engage in any other service subject to renewal of the
- 8 certificate, upon or over the highways of this state. All
- 9 privileges granted under the AN expiring certificate or permit
- 10 shall cease.
- 11 (3) In case any applicant for renewal of a certificate or a
- 12 permit fails, otherwise than in the payment of fees, to comply in
- 13 all respects with the law and the rules of the commission in
- 14 connection with the filing of the application for renewal, the
- 15 commission immediately shall give specific written notice of that
- 16 failure to the applicant and shall require in the notice that the
- 17 applicant correct the matter specified within 10 days after the
- 18 notice. Upon the failure of the applicant to make the correction
- 19 within the time, or in case of the failure to accompany the
- 20 application with the required filing fee, the certificate or permit
- 21 of the applicant shall be revoked without any action whatever upon
- 22 the part of the commission.
- 23 (3) THE COMMISSION SHALL GIVE AN APPLICANT WHOSE CERTIFICATE
- 24 WAS CANCELED OR TERMINATED FOR FAILURE TO RENEW ON JANUARY 1 OF THE
- 25 YEAR FOR WHICH AN APPLICATION SHOULD HAVE BEEN MADE UNTIL DECEMBER
- 26 31 TO COMPLY WITH THE RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION (1). UPON
- 27 RECEIPT OF A PROPERLY COMPLETED APPLICATION, FEE, PROOF OF

- 1 INSURANCE, AND A SATISFACTORY SAFETY REVIEW, THE COMMISSION SHALL
- 2 GRANT A 60-DAY TEMPORARY AUTHORITY TO AN INTRASTATE-ONLY MOTOR
- 3 CARRIER OF GENERAL COMMODITIES OR A MOTOR CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD
- 4 GOODS THAT APPLIES FOR RENEWAL OF A CERTIFICATE THAT HAS BEEN
- 5 EXPIRED FOR LESS THAN 1 YEAR. AN INTRASTATE-ONLY MOTOR CARRIER OF
- 6 GENERAL COMMODITIES OR A MOTOR CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS THAT DOES
- 7 NOT COMPLY WITH THE RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION BEFORE
- 8 JANUARY 1 OF THE NEXT RENEWAL YEAR FOR WHICH IT SHOULD HAVE APPLIED
- 9 FOR RENEWAL SHALL APPLY FOR AN ORIGINAL CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY,
- 10 AND SHALL PAY THE FEE FOR AN ORIGINAL CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY AND
- 11 ANY APPLICABLE LATE FEES FOR THE PREVIOUS YEAR.
- 12 (4) Except as in this section otherwise provided IN THIS
- 13 SECTION, the provisions in this act voiding a certificate or a
- 14 permit for cause shall be ARE self-executing and shall DO not
- 15 require any affirmative act on the part of the commission, and the
- 16 commission is expressly prohibited from extending and shall not
- 17 have any power to extend the privilege or permit nor to allow the
- 18 AN INTRASTATE-ONLY MOTOR carrier OF GENERAL COMMODITIES OR A MOTOR
- 19 CARRIER OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS to engage in any operation over the
- 20 public highway. In no case shall the THE revocation of any A
- 21 certificate or a permit DOES NOT release any A motor carrier from
- 22 liability for accrued fees.
- 23 (5) Upon full compliance with the requirements with respect to
- 24 OF THIS ACT FOR the filing of the application, the COMMISSION SHALL
- 25 ISSUE A certificate or permit shall issue—for the succeeding
- 26 calendar year, subject to all the provisions of this act.
- **27** (6) The holder of a certificate or permit under this act may

- 1 add equipment at any time, but when adding equipment subject to a
- 2 privilege fee prescribed by this act, the holder shall file an $\frac{1}{2}$
- 3 parte application in the form as REQUIRED BY the commission
- 4 requires and pay for each unit of equipment added, the fee
- 5 prescribed REQUIRED in section 2 of article IV. A notice of hearing
- 6 on the application shall not be required and a public hearing shall
- 7 not be held thereon. When IF the holder of any A certificate or
- 8 permit, excepting OTHER THAN a certificate or permit that
- 9 authorizes the transportation of household goods while such-THOSE
- 10 household goods are being transported, by lease, contract, or any
- 11 arrangement other than outright purchase, augments his or her
- 12 equipment, the lease, contract, or arrangement shall be in writing
- 13 and of such a character so as to SHALL vest in the holder exclusive
- 14 possession and control of the vehicle under the lease or
- 15 arrangement for the entire term of the lease or arrangement. Any
- 16 operation of the vehicle shall be conducted under the exclusive
- 17 supervision, direction, and control of the holder.
- 18 (7) A certificated or permitted unit of equipment USING A FORM
- 19 PRESCRIBED BY THE COMMISSION, A CERTIFIED MOTOR CARRIER may be
- 20 withdrawn WITHDRAW EQUIPMENT from service at any time WITHOUT
- 21 REFUND by surrendering to the commission the identification
- 22 allocated to the unit at the time it was certificated. or
- 23 permitted.
- Sec. 10a. (1) The lease, contract, or arrangement under which
- 25 a holder augments his or her equipment shall specify the period for
- 26 which the equipment is to be operated, which shall not be less than
- 27 30 days, and shall include a provision that the vehicle has, within

- 1 the immediately preceding 12 months, passed an inspection pursuant
- 2 to the requirements of UNDER the motor carrier safety act, Act No.
- 3 181 of the Public Acts of 1963, being sections 480.11 to 480.21 of
- 4 the Michigan Compiled Laws, 1963 PA 181, MCL 480.11 TO 480.25, and
- **5** 49 C.F.R. CFR part 396.
- 6 (2) The lease, contract, or arrangement shall specify the
- 7 compensation to be paid by the lessee or party to the contract or
- 8 arrangement for the rental or use of the equipment.
- 9 (3) The lease, contract, or arrangement shall specify the time
- 10 and date or the circumstance on which the contract, lease, or other
- 11 arrangement begins, and the time or circumstance on which it ends.
- 12 (4) The lease, contract, or arrangement shall vest in the
- 13 holder of the vehicle exclusive possession and control of the
- 14 vehicle for the entire term of the lease, contract, or arrangement.
- 15 (5) The lease, contract, or arrangement shall provide that any
- 16 operation of the vehicle shall be conducted under the exclusive
- 17 supervision, direction, and control of the holder.
- 18 (6) The lease, contract, or arrangement shall provide that the
- 19 vehicle, at all times while being operated under the lease,
- 20 contract, or arrangement, shall be operated only by persons who are
- 21 employees of the holder. who stand in relation to the holder as
- 22 employee to employer.
- 23 (7) The lease, contract, or arrangement shall be in the
- 24 manner, form, and further content as the commission REQUIRES by
- 25 rule. provides.
- 26 (8) The lease, contract, or arrangement shall be executed in
- 27 quadruplicate, -AND the original shall be filed with the

- 1 commission. One copy shall be retained by the authorized motor
- 2 carrier in whose service the equipment is to be operated, 1 copy
- 3 shall be retained by the owner of the equipment, and 1 copy shall
- 4 be carried on the equipment specified in the lease, contract, or
- 5 arrangement during the entire period of the contract, lease, or
- 6 other arrangement.
- 7 (9) Nothing in this section shall apply to the interchange
- 8 with other certificated motor common carriers or the multiple
- 9 certification of motor carrier equipment when specific approval and
- 10 authority to interchange the equipment has been or is granted by
- 11 the commission.
- 12 (9) (10) The provisions of subsection (1) shall DO not apply
- 13 to or be AND ARE NOT required of or between movers of household
- 14 goods, when the equipment is used to transport household goods as
- 15 defined by the commission.
- Sec. 11. (1) The commission may examine all records, books,
- 17 accounts, and files of each A motor carrier to whom a certificate
- 18 or permit has been issued under this act having to do with the
- 19 business of transportation conducted by the MOTOR carrier. The IF
- 20 ORDERED BY THE COMMISSION, THE MOTOR CARRIER SHALL PRODUCE AT ANY
- 21 HEARING OR PROCEEDING BEFORE THE COMMISSION THE records, books,
- 22 accounts, and files or other data or information , by order of the
- 23 commission, shall be produced at any hearing or proceeding before
- 24 the commission for use at the hearing or proceeding. The A MOTOR
- 25 CARRIER SHALL PRESERVE THE records, books, accounts, and files
- 26 shall be preserved FOR at least 3 years, except that A MOTOR
- 27 CARRIER SHALL PRESERVE delivery receipts, and delivery records, and

- 1 bills of lading shall be preserved FOR at least 1 year. The
- 2 commission may compel the attendance and testimony of witnesses and
- 3 do all things necessary to carry out and enforce all the provisions
- 4 of this act.
- 5 (2) A-EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED BY LAW, A member of the
- 6 commission, clerk, officer, or employee of the THIS state shall not
- 7 divulge or make known , in any manner whatsoever not provided by
- 8 law, to any person the operations, style of work, or any other
- 9 information regarding the operations of carriers A MOTOR CARRIER
- 10 visited or inspected by him or her in the discharge of his or her
- 11 official duties, or to-permit any report, books, documents,
- 12 accounts, files, or other data examined or inspected by him or her
- 13 to be seen or examined by any person. , except as provided by law.
- 14 The information as may be obtained under this section shall be and
- 15 remain—IS inviolate, except for the purposes of carrying out the
- 16 provisions of this act. , it being IT IS the express legislative
- 17 intent to permit the use of the information by the commission, but
- 18 to prevent its publication in any manner, except when lawfully
- 19 presented in open hearings either before the commission or some A
- 20 member of the commission, or before a court of law. Nothing in this
- 21 THIS section shall be construed to DOES NOT apply to the public
- 22 files of the commission pertaining to the application for and the
- 23 certificate or permit of any motor carrier, or to quarterly or
- 24 other reports, which files and reports shall BE OPEN TO INSPECTION
- 25 during office hours be open to inspection by any motor carrier,
- 26 shipper, or consignee.
- 27 (3) A person who violates this section is guilty of a

- 1 misdemeanor.
- 2 Sec. 14. (1) Upon complaint in writing by any person, firm,
- 3 corporation, association, mercantile, agricultural or manufacturing
- 4 society, or by any body politic, municipal organization, common
- 5 carrier, or motor carrier, that any of the A motor common carrier
- 6 OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS' rates, fares, charges, or classifications, or
- 7 any joint rate or rates of any motor common carrier OF HOUSEHOLD
- 8 GOODS are , in any respect unreasonable or unjustly discriminatory
- 9 or otherwise in violation of this act, or that any practice
- 10 whatsoever affecting the transportation of property by any such A
- 11 motor common—carrier or any service in connection therewith WITH
- 12 THE TRANSPORTATION OF PROPERTY is in any respect unreasonable or
- 13 unjustly discriminatory, or that any service of such A motor common
- 14 carrier OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS is inadequate, or that this act or any
- 15 order, rule, or practice established by the commission applicable
- 16 to the A motor common carrier OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS, or motor common
- 17 carrier charges filed with the commission by the A motor common
- 18 carrier OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS, in any respect has been violated or
- 19 deviated from, or is being violated or deviated from by such A
- 20 motor common—carrier; or upon a complaint against any A motor
- 21 contract carrier OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS that this act or any order,
- 22 rule, or practice established by the commission applicable to the
- 23 motor contract carrier OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS has been violated or
- 24 deviated from, or is being violated or deviated from, the
- 25 commission shall notify the parties complained of that A complaint
- 26 has been made, and shall furnish a copy of the complaint with the
- 27 notice, and 20 days after the notice has been given, the commission

- 1 may proceed to investigate the complaint as provided in this
- 2 section. Only the commission, on its motion, may bring a complaint
- 3 against a contract MOTOR carrier OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS for predatory
- 4 rates, practices, or rules pursuant to UNDER section 6(2) 6(1) of
- 5 article III. Before proceeding to make the investigation,
- 6 INVESTIGATING A COMPLAINT, the commission shall give the motor
- 7 carrier and the complainants at least 10 days' notice of the time
- 8 and place when and where the matters will be considered and
- 9 determined, and the parties shall be ARE entitled to be heard and
- 10 shall have process to enforce the attendance of witnesses. If, upon
- 11 investigation of a motor common—carrier OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS, any
- 12 matters complained of are found to be in violation of this act, the
- 13 commission shall determine and by order fix and order substituted
- 14 therefor the practice, service, or charges as shall conform AND
- 15 SHALL ORDER A SUBSTITUTE PRACTICE, SERVICE, OR CHARGE THAT CONFORM
- 16 to this act and the rules of the commission applicable to the motor
- 17 common—carrier OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS. If upon investigation of a motor
- 18 contract carrier, any matters complained of are found to be in
- 19 violation of this act, the commission shall determine and by order
- 20 fix and order substituted therefor the practice, service, or
- 21 minimum rate as shall conform to this act and the rules of the
- 22 commission applicable to the motor contract carrier. The order
- 23 shall further provide that DIRECT the parties complained of shall
- 24 TO cease and desist from the violation and conform to the terms of
- 25 the order. The commission shall cause DELIVER a certified copy of
- 26 each THE order to be delivered to the AFFECTED parties. affected
- 27 thereby, which THE order shall of its own force take effect and

- 1 become operative 20 days after the service. of the order. All motor
- 2 common—carriers OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS to which the order applies
- 3 shall, on or before the date when the order becomes effective, make
- 4 changes in schedules on file as shall be necessary to make the same
- 5 AND MAKE CHANGES IN THEIR PRACTICES, SERVICES, OR MINIMUM RATES AS
- 6 NECESSARY TO conform to the order. All motor contract carriers to
- 7 which the order applies shall, on or before the date the order
- 8 becomes effective, conform their practice, service, or minimum rate
- 9 to the order. Certified copies of all other orders of the
- 10 commission shall be delivered to the parties affected in like
- 11 manner —and, unless otherwise prescribed in this act, shall take
- 12 effect within AT the time thereafter as the commission prescribes.
- 13 (2) When IF the commission believes that any provision in this
- 14 act or any rule or order of the commission made in pursuance of
- 15 UNDER this act has been or is being violated, or that any charges
- 16 have been made or collected or service performed in violation
- 17 thereof OF THIS ACT OR ANY RULE OR ORDER OF THE COMMISSION MADE
- 18 UNDER THIS ACT, and that an investigation relating thereto, TO THE
- 19 VIOLATION should be made, the commission may on its own motion or
- 20 on the application of anyone investigate the suspected violation.
- 21 Before making the investigation, the commission shall present to
- 22 the parties alleged to be guilty of the violations a WRITTEN
- 23 statement in writing setting forth the matters to be investigated.
- 24 Thereafter, AFTER THE COMMISSION HAS PRESENTED THE WRITTEN
- 25 STATEMENT DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION, on 10 days' notice to the
- 26 parties of the time and place of the investigation, the commission
- 27 may proceed to investigate the matters complained of AND ENTER

- 1 ORDERS in the same manner, and make like orders, as if the
- 2 investigation had been made upon complaint. PROVIDED FOR AN
- 3 INVESTIGATION UPON COMPLAINT UNDER SUBSECTION (1). An
- 4 investigation, inquiry, or hearing which THAT the commission has
- 5 power to undertake or to hold may be undertaken or held by or
- 6 before any commissioner or any employee of the commission when so
- 7 directed by the commission or its chairperson. The commissioner or
- 8 employee shall submit findings of fact and conclusions of law to
- 9 the commission. If the findings of fact and conclusions of law are
- 10 approved and confirmed by the commission and ordered filed in its
- 11 office, they shall be the decision and the order of the commission.
- 12 All investigations, inquiries, or hearings of a commissioner or an
- 13 employee are considered as the investigation, inquiry, and hearing
- 14 of the commission.
- 15 Sec. 14a. (1) A motor common carrier may not commence
- 16 operations under permanent authority granted to it by the
- 17 commission for 20 days after issuance of the order, nor before a
- 18 certificate has been issued.
- 20 permanent authority granted to it by the commission before a permit
- 21 CERTIFICATE has been issued.
- 22 Sec. 18. (1) The commission may, upon application of any
- 23 person or any motor carrier, or upon its own motion, and upon at
- 24 least 10 days' notice to SERVED PERSONALLY, BY MAIL, OR
- 25 ELECTRONICALLY ON the AFFECTED parties, affected thereby, for good
- 26 cause and after an opportunity to be heard, SHOW COMPLIANCE WITH
- 27 THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS ACT REGARDING A CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY,

- 1 revoke, suspend, alter, amend, or modify any of its findings or
- 2 orders. However, a THE COMMISSION MAY REVOKE A certificate or
- 3 permit shall only be amended, altered, modified, revoked, or
- 4 suspended after like notice and opportunity to be heard and upon
- 5 clear proof of good, just, and sufficient cause. A SUSPENSION OF A
- 6 FINDING OR ORDER UNDER THIS SUBSECTION REMAINS IN EFFECT UNTIL THE
- 7 MOTOR CARRIER COMPLIES WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS ACT OR THE
- 8 COMMISSION MOVES TO REVOKE THE MOTOR CARRIER'S CERTIFICATE. In
- 9 addition, beginning January 1, 1989, a person or motor carrier may
- 10 also be subject to an assessment of ASSESSED AN AMOUNT not to
- 11 exceed \$500.00 for each violation of this act, a rule promulgated
- 12 or an order issued under this act, or a term or condition of a
- 13 certificate or permit.OF AUTHORITY.
- 14 (2) The commission may grant rehearings A REHEARING in all
- 15 proceedings A PROCEEDING before it upon petition filed within the
- 16 time allowed by law to bring proceedings for review. All orders
- 17 entered pursuant to UNDER this section shall be served and take
- 18 effect as provided in this act for original orders, and the time
- 19 allowed by law to bring proceedings to review any order of the
- 20 commission shall continue after the order denying the hearing or
- 21 after the order made upon a rehearing. The commission shall keep a
- 22 docket of all causes and proceedings under this act and, upon
- 23 request upon AND payment of a reasonable fee, shall furnish any
- 24 interested party fair copies of any AN application, answer,
- 25 petition, motion, order, finding, certificate, or permit on file
- 26 with, or made or issued by it in any proceeding.
- 27 (3) The assessments collected pursuant to UNDER this section

- 1 shall be deposited in the truck safety fund established in section
- 2 25 of 1951 PA 51, MCL 247.675.
- 3 (4) This chapter shall be IS applicable and uniform throughout
- 4 this state and in all political subdivisions and local units of
- 5 government in this state. A local unit of government shall not
- 6 adopt, enact, or enforce a local law that is in conflict with this
- 7 act.
- 8 (5) A local law or a portion of a local law that imposes a
- 9 criminal penalty for an act or omission that is a civil infraction
- 10 under this act, or that imposes a criminal penalty or civil
- 11 sanction in excess of that prescribed in this act, is in conflict
- 12 with this act and is void to the extent of the conflict.
- 13 (6) Except for a case in which the citation is dismissed
- 14 pursuant to UNDER subsection (7), proceeds of a civil fine imposed
- 15 by a local unit of government for violation of a local law
- 16 regulating the operation of for-hire motor vehicles and
- 17 corresponding to this act shall be paid to the county treasurer and
- 18 shall be allocated as follows:
- 19 (a) Seventy percent to the local unit of government in which
- 20 the citation is issued.
- (b) Thirty percent for library purposes as provided by law.
- 22 (7) The owner or operator of a commercial motor vehicle shall
- 23 not be issued more than 1 citation for each violation of a code or
- 24 ordinance regulating the operation of a commercial motor vehicle
- 25 and substantially corresponding to a provision of sections 683 to
- 26 725a of the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.683 to
- 27 257.725a, within a 24-hour period. If the owner or operator of a

- 1 commercial motor vehicle is issued a citation for an equipment
- 2 violation that does not result in the vehicle being placed out of
- 3 service, the court shall dismiss the citation if the owner or
- 4 operator of that commercial motor vehicle provides written proof to
- 5 the court within 14 days after the citation is issued showing that
- 6 the defective equipment indicated in the citation has been
- 7 repaired.
- 8 (8) In order to be classified as a motor carrier enforcement
- 9 officer, a police officer must have training equal to the minimum
- 10 training requirements, including any annual training updates,
- 11 established by the department of state police for an officer of the
- 12 motor carrier division of the department of state police. A police
- 13 officer who has received training equal to these minimum training
- 14 requirements before the effective date of this section is
- 15 considered a motor carrier enforcement officer for purposes of this
- **16** act.
- 17 (9) As used in this section:
- 18 (a) "Local law" includes MEANS a local charter provision,
- 19 ordinance, rule, or regulation.
- (b) "Out of service" means that process established under the
- 21 motor carrier safety act OF 1963, 1963 PA 181, MCL 480.11 to
- 22 480.22.480.25.
- 23 ARTICLE VI
- 24 Sec. 2. Upon NO LATER THAN 60 DAYS AFTER RECEIVING A request
- 25 of FROM the commission, the department of state police shall
- 26 COMPLETE A review OF the operation of an intrastate motor carrier
- 27 to determine whether the carrier is in compliance with applicable

- 1 safety related laws and rules and issue a report within 60 days
- 2 after completion of its review to the commission.
- 3 Enacting section 1. Section 5 of article I, sections 4, 6, 7,
- 4 7a, 7b, 7c, and 11 of article II, section 5a of article III,
- 5 section 1a of article IV, section 4 of article V, and section 3 of
- 6 article VI of the motor carrier act, 1933 PA 254, MCL 475.5, 476.4,
- **7** 476.6, 476.7, 476.7a, 476.7b, 476.7c, 476.11, 477.5a, 478.1a,
- **8** 479.4, and 479.43, are repealed.
- 9 Enacting section 2. This amendatory act takes effect April 1,
- **10** 2015.