SENATE BILL No. 886

April 14, 2016, Introduced by Senator CASPERSON and referred to the Committee on Elections and Government Reform.

A bill to amend 1969 PA 306, entitled

"Administrative procedures act of 1969,"

by amending sections 71, 72, 80, 87, and 115 (MCL 24.271, 24.272, 24.280, 24.287, and 24.315), section 71 as amended by 1984 PA 28, section 80 as amended by 1984 PA 196, and section 115 as amended by 1996 PA 489.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 71. (1) The parties in a contested case shall MUST be
 given an opportunity for a hearing without undue delay.

(2) The parties shall MUST be given a reasonable notice of the hearing , which IN A CONTESTED CASE. THE notice shall MUST include ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

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(a) A statement of the date, hour, place, and nature of the
 hearing. Unless otherwise specified in the notice the hearing shall
 MUST be held at the principal office of the agency.

4 (b) A statement of the legal authority and jurisdiction under5 which the hearing is to be held.

6 (c) A reference to the particular sections of the statutes and7 rules involved.

8 (d) A short and plain statement of the matters asserted. If
9 the agency or other party is unable to state the matters in detail
10 at the time the notice is given, the initial notice may state the
11 issues involved. Thereafter on application the agency or other
12 party shall furnish a more definite and detailed statement on the
13 issues.

14 (3) A CONTESTED CASE IS COMMENCED BY GIVING NOTICE TO THE
15 PARTIES UNDER SUBSECTION (2).

16 (4) (3) A member of the legislature shall IS not be privileged 17 from service of notice or other process pursuant to UNDER this 18 chapter except on a day on which there is a scheduled meeting of 19 the house of which he or she is a member. However, a member of the 20 legislature shall-IS not be privileged from service of notice or 21 other process pursuant to UNDER this chapter on a day on which 22 there is a scheduled meeting of the house of which he or she is a 23 member, if such THE service of notice or process is executed by 24 certified mail, return receipt requested.

Sec. 72. (1) If a party fails to appear in a contested case
after proper service of notice, the agency, if no AN adjournment is
NOT granted, may proceed with the hearing and make its decision in

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the absence of the party. NOTICE IS PROPERLY SERVED IF IT IS MAILED
 TO THE PARTY OR THE REPRESENTATIVE OF RECORD OF THE PARTY AT THE
 PARTY OR THE REPRESENTATIVE'S LAST KNOWN ADDRESS OF RECORD.

4 (2) A party who has been served with a notice of hearing may5 file a written answer before the date set for hearing.

6 (3) The parties shall MUST be given an opportunity to present
7 oral and written arguments on issues of law and policy and an
8 opportunity to present evidence and argument on issues of fact.

9 (4) A party may cross-examine a witness, including the author
10 of a document prepared by, on behalf of, or for use of the agency
11 and offered in evidence. A party may submit rebuttal evidence.

Sec. 80. (1) A presiding officer may do all of the following:(a) Administer oaths and affirmations.

(b) Sign and issue subpoenas, in the name of the agency,
requiring attendance and giving of testimony by witnesses and the
production of books, papers, and other documentary evidence.

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(c) Provide for the taking of testimony by deposition.

18 (d) Regulate the course of the hearings, set the time and19 place for continued hearings, and fix the time for filing of briefs20 and other documents.

(e) Direct the parties to appear and confer to considersimplification of the issues by consent of the parties.

23 (f) Act upon ON an application for an award of costs and fees
24 under sections 121 to 127.

(2) In order to TO assure adequate representation for the
people of this state, when IF the presiding officer knows that a
party in a contested case is a member of the legislature of this

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state, and the legislature is in session, the PRESIDING OFFICER
 SHALL CONTINUE THE contested case shall be continued by the
 presiding officer to a nonmeeting day.

4 (3) In order to TO assure adequate representation for the 5 people of this state, when IF the presiding officer knows that a 6 party to a contested case is a member of the legislature of this state who serves on a legislative committee, subcommittee, 7 commission, or council that is scheduled to meet during the 8 9 legislative session while the legislature is temporarily adjourned, 10 or that is scheduled to meet during the interim between legislative 11 sessions after the legislature has adjourned sine die, or when IF 12 the partisan caucus of which the legislator is a member is 13 scheduled to meet, the **PRESIDING OFFICER SHALL CONTINUE THE** 14 contested case shall be continued to a nonmeeting day.

15 (4) In order to TO assure adequate representation for the people of this state, when IF the presiding officer knows that a 16 17 witness in a contested case is a member of the legislature of this state, and the legislature is in session, or the member is serving 18 19 on a legislative committee, subcommittee, commission, or council 20 that is scheduled to meet during the legislative session while the 21 legislature is temporarily adjourned or during the interim between 22 legislative sessions after the legislature has adjourned sine die, 23 or when IF the partisan caucus of which the legislator is a member 24 is scheduled to meet, the contested case need not be continued, but 25 the **PRESIDING OFFICER SHALL POSTPONE THE** taking of the legislator's 26 testimony, as a witness, shall be postponed to the earliest 27 practicable nonmeeting day.

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(5) The presiding officer shall notify all parties to the
 contested case, and their attorneys, of any continuance granted
 pursuant to UNDER this section.

4 (6) As used in this section, "nonmeeting day" means a day on
5 which there is not a scheduled meeting of the house of which the
6 party or witness is a member, nor a legislative committee meeting
7 or public hearing scheduled by a committee, subcommittee,
8 commission, or council of which he or she THE PARTY OR WITNESS is a
9 member, nor OR a scheduled partisan caucus of the members of the
10 house of which he or she THE PARTY OR WITNESS is a member.

Sec. 87. (1) An agency OR PRESIDING OFFICER may order a
 rehearing OR RECONSIDERATION in a contested case on its THE
 AGENCY'S OR OFFICER'S own motion or on THE request of a party.

14 (2) Where IF THE AGENCY OR PRESIDING OFFICER FINDS for
15 justifiable reasons THAT the record of testimony made at the
16 hearing is found by the agency to be inadequate for purposes of
17 judicial review, the agency OR PRESIDING OFFICER, on its THE
18 AGENCY'S OR OFFICER'S own motion or on THE request of a party,
19 shall order a rehearing.

(3) A request for a rehearing shall MUST be filed within the
time fixed by this act for instituting proceedings for judicial
review. A rehearing shall MUST be noticed and conducted in the same
manner as an original hearing. The evidence received at the
rehearing shall MUST be included in the record for agency
reconsideration and for judicial review. A decision or order may be
amended or vacated after the rehearing.

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Sec. 115. (1) Chapters 4 and 6 do not apply to proceedings

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conducted under the worker's disability compensation act of 1969,
 Act No. 317 of the Public Acts of 1969, being sections 418.101 to
 418.941 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.1969 PA 317, MCL 418.101 TO
 418.941.

5 (2) Chapters 4 and 8 do not apply to a hearing conducted by 6 the department of corrections pursuant to UNDER chapter IIIA of Act 7 No. 232 of the Public Acts of 1953, being sections 791.251 to 8 791.256 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.THE CORRECTIONS CODE OF 1953, 9 1953 PA 232, MCL 791.251 TO 791.256, OR TO PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE 10 PAROLE BOARD ESTABLISHED UNDER SECTION 31A OF CHAPTER III OF THE 11 CORRECTIONS CODE OF 1953, 1953 PA 232, MCL 791.231A.

(3) Chapter 8 does not apply to any of the following:

(a) A contested case or other proceeding regarding the
granting or renewing of an operator's or chauffeur's license by the
secretary of state.

16 (b) Proceedings conducted by the Michigan employment relations17 commission.

(c) Worker's disability compensation proceedings under Act No.
 317 of the Public Acts of 1969. THE WORKER'S DISABILITY COMPENSATION
 ACT OF 1969, 1969 PA 317, MCL 418.101 TO 418.941.

(d) Unemployment compensation hearings under the Michigan
employment security act, Act No. 1 of the Public Acts of the Extra
Session of 1936, being sections 421.1 to 421.75 of the Michigan
Compiled Laws.1936 (EX SESS) PA 1, MCL 421.1 TO 421.75.

(e) Family independence agency public PUBLIC assistance
hearings under section 9 of the social welfare act, Act No. 280 of
the Public Acts of 1939, being section 400.9 of the Michigan

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1 Compiled Laws.1939 PA 280, MCL 400.9.

(4) Chapter 6 does not apply to final decisions or orders 2 3 rendered under article 15 of the public health code, Act No. 368 of 4 the Public Acts of 1978, being sections 333.16101 to 333.18838 of 5 the Michigan Compiled Laws.1978 PA 368, MCL 333.16101 TO 333.18838. 6 (5) Chapters AFTER AUGUST 14, 1996, CHAPTERS 2, 3, and 5 do 7 not apply to the municipal employees retirement system and retirement board created by the municipal employees retirement act 8 9 of 1984, Act No. 427 of the Public Acts of 1984, being sections 10 38.1501 to 38.1555 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, on and after 11 August 15, 1996.1984 PA 427, MCL 38.1501 TO 1555. 12 (6) Until the expiration of 12 months after the effective date 13 of the amendatory act that added this subsection, APRIL 1, 1998, 14 chapters 2, 3, and 5 do not apply to the establishment, implementation, administration, operation, investment, or 15 distribution of a Tier 2 retirement plan established pursuant to 16 17 UNDER section 401(k) of the internal revenue code OF 1986, 26 USC 18 401, under the state employees' retirement act, Act No. 240 of the 19 Public Acts of 1943, being sections 38.1 to 38.69 of the Michigan 20 Compiled Laws. Upon the expiration of 12 months after the effective 21 date of the amendatory act that added this subsection, 1943 PA 240, MCL 38.1 TO 38.69. AFTER MARCH 31, 1998, rules and guidelines 22 23 promulgated or processed under FOR THE PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN this 24 subsection are not effective and binding unless promulgated and 25 processed in accordance with this act. 26 (7) Until the expiration of 12 months after the effective date

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27 of the amendatory act that added this subsection, APRIL 1, 1998,

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1 chapters 2, 3, and 5 do not apply to the establishment, 2 implementation, administration, operation, investment, or distribution of a Tier 2 retirement plan established pursuant to 3 4 UNDER section 403(b) of the internal revenue code OF 1986, 26 USC 5 403, under the public school employees retirement act of 1979, Act 6 No. 300 of the Public Acts of 1980, being sections 38.1301 to 38.1437 of the Michigan Compiled Laws. Upon the expiration of 12 7 months after the effective date of the amendatory act that added 8 this subsection, 1980 PA 300, MCL 38.1301 TO 38.1437. AFTER MARCH 9 31, 1998, rules and quidelines promulgated or processed under FOR 10 11 THE PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN this subsection are not effective and 12 binding unless promulgated and processed in accordance with this 13 act.

14 (8) Until the expiration of 12 months after the effective date 15 of the amendatory act that added this subsection, APRIL 1, 1998, 16 chapters 2, 3, and 5 do not apply to the establishment, 17 implementation, administration, operation, investment, or distribution of a Tier 2 retirement plan established pursuant to 18 19 UNDER the internal revenue code OF 1986, 26 USC 1 TO 9834, under 20 the Michigan legislative retirement system act, Act No. 261 of the 21 Public Acts of 1957, being sections 38.1001 to 38.1080 of the 22 Michigan Compiled Laws. Upon the expiration of 12 months after the 23 effective date of the amendatory act that added this 24 subsection, 1957 PA 261, MCL 38.1001 TO 38.1080. AFTER MARCH 31, 25 1998, rules and guidelines promulgated or processed under FOR THE 26 PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN this subsection are not effective and binding 27 unless promulgated and processed in accordance with this act.

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Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
 after the date it is enacted into law.

3 Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect
4 unless all of the following bills of the 98th Legislature are
5 enacted into law:

- 6 (a) Senate Bill No. 189.
- 7 (b) Senate Bill No. 190.