124.766 Board of directors; membership; appointment; terms; oath; removal; vacancy; election of chairperson and vice-chairperson; designation of representative; discharge of duties.

Sec. 16. (1) The purposes, powers, and duties of the state authority are vested in and shall be exercised by a board of directors. The authority board shall consist of 7 members. The governor shall appoint 4 residents of this state as members of the authority board. The members of the authority board shall serve terms of 4 years. In appointing the initial members of the authority board, the governor shall designate 2 to serve for 4 years, 1 to serve for 3 years, and 1 to serve for 2 years. All of the following shall also serve as members of the authority board:

(a) The director of the department or his or her designee.
(b) The chief executive officer of the Michigan economic development corporation or his or her designee.
(c) The executive director of the Michigan state housing development authority or his or her designee.

(2) Upon appointment to the authority board under subsection (1) and upon the taking and filing of the constitutional oath of office prescribed in section 1 of article XI of the state constitution of 1963, a member of the authority board shall enter the office and exercise the duties of the office. A member of the authority board may be removed by the governor as provided in section 10 of article V of the state constitution of 1963.

(3) Regardless of the cause of a vacancy on the authority board, the governor shall fill a vacancy in the office by appointment in the same manner as an appointment under subsection (1). A vacancy shall be filled for the balance of the unexpired term of the office. A member of the authority board shall hold office until a successor has been appointed and qualified.

(4) The authority board shall elect a chairperson and a vice-chairperson from among its members. Members of the authority board shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses.

(5) A state officer or director who is a member of the authority board may designate a representative from his or her department or agency as a voting member of the authority board for 1 or more meetings.

(6) A member of the authority board, officer, employee, or agent of the state authority shall discharge the duties of his or her position in a nonpartisan manner, with good faith, and with that degree of diligence, care, and skill that an ordinarily prudent person would exercise under similar circumstances in a like position. In discharging the duties of his or her position, a member of the authority board or an officer, employee, or agent, when acting in good faith, may rely upon the opinion of counsel for the state authority, upon the report of an independent appraiser selected with reasonable care by the board, or upon financial statements of the authority represented to the member of the authority board or officer, employee, or agent of the state authority to be correct by the president or the officer of the state authority having charge of its books or account, or stated in a written report by a certificated public accountant or firm of certified public accountants fairly to reflect the financial condition of the state authority.


For transfer of powers and duties relative to land bank fast track act, 2003 PA 258, performed by Michigan strategic fund to Michigan state housing development authority, see E.R.O. No. 2013-3, compiled at MCL 125.1393.

For transfer of the position on state land bank fast track authority designated for director of department under section 16(1)(a) to state treasurer, see E.R.O. No. 2013-3, compiled at MCL 125.1393.

For transfer of powers and duties of board of directors and office of executive director of state land bank fast track authority to the office of executive director of Michigan state housing development authority, see E.R.O. No. 2014-3, compiled at MCL 124.781.

For transfer of powers and duties of state land bank fast track authority from executive director of Michigan state housing development authority to director of department of talent and economic development, and transfer of revenue bonding powers of state land bank fast track authority to Michigan strategic fund, see E.R.O. No. 2014-6, compiled at MCL 125.1995.

For reestablishment of board of directors of state land bank fast track authority, established by MCL 124.767, but abolished by MCL 124.781, see E.R.O. No. 2016-6, compiled at MCL 125.1996.

For abolition of the existing board of directors and position of director of the state land bank fast track authority, the renaming the state land bank fast track authority to the state land bank authority, the type I transfer of the powers and duties of the state land bank authority, including revenue bonding powers from the Michigan strategic fund, to the department of labor and economic opportunity, and the reestablishment of the board of directors of the state land bank authority, see E.R.O. No. 2019-3, compiled at MCL 125.1998.