125.2088h Investment fund; creation; duties of fund board.

Sec. 88h. (1) The jobs for Michigan investment fund is created within the fund as a permanent fund authorized by section 19 of article IX of the state constitution of 1963. Money in the investment fund at the close of the fiscal year shall remain in the investment fund and shall not lapse to the general fund. Money in the investment fund shall not be transferred to another governmental entity or a separate legal entity and public body corporate established under the urban cooperation act of 1967, 1967 (Ex Sess) PA 7, MCL 124.501 to 124.512, except as authorized in this chapter.

(2) Money or other assets deposited in the investment fund shall be held as permanent funds as provided under section 19 of article IX of the state constitution of 1963 and invested only as authorized under this chapter, including, but not limited to, investments in the stock of a company, association, or corporation.

(3) The investment fund shall be invested as authorized under this chapter for the benefit of the people of the state of Michigan and for the purpose of creating incentives for the following in this state:
   (a) Retaining or creating jobs.
   (b) Increasing capital investment activity.
   (c) Increasing commercial lending activity.
   (d) Encouraging the development and commercialization of competitive edge technologies.
   (e) Revitalizing Michigan communities.

(4) Funds or other assets of the investment fund also may be invested in debt instruments or debt obligations for loans or guarantees authorized under this chapter.

(5) The investment fund shall consist of all of the following:
   (a) Any funds appropriated to, transferred to, or deposited in the investment fund from the 21st century jobs trust fund under the Michigan trust fund act, 2000 PA 489, MCL 12.251 to 12.260.
   (b) Earnings, royalties, return on investments, return of principal, payments made, or other money received by or payable to the fund under agreements related to grants, loans, investments, or expenditures by the fund under this chapter or chapter 8C.
   (c) Assets, property, money, earnings, royalties, return on investments, return of principal, payments made, or other money owed, received by, or payable to the fund or the Michigan economic development corporation under agreements related to grants, loans, investments, or other payments funded by appropriations from the state general fund or tobacco settlement revenue under 1 or more of the following:
      (i) Section 418 of 1999 PA 120, commonly known as the health and aging research and development initiative or the Michigan life sciences corridor initiative, or any successor program.
      (ii) Section 410 of 2000 PA 292, commonly known as the health and aging research and development initiative or the Michigan life sciences corridor initiative, or any successor program.
      (iii) Section 410 of 2001 PA 80, commonly known as the health and aging research and development initiative or the Michigan life sciences corridor initiative, or any successor program.
      (iv) Section 410 of 2002 PA 517, commonly known as the Michigan life sciences corridor initiative, or any successor program.
      (v) Section 410 of 2003 PA 169, commonly known as the Michigan life sciences and technology tri-corridor initiative, or any successor program.
      (vi) Section 510 of 2004 PA 354, commonly known as the Michigan technology tri-corridor and life sciences initiative, or any successor program.
      (vii) Section 801 of 2005 PA 11, commonly known as the technology tri-corridor and life sciences initiative, or any successor program.
      (viii) Section 381(1)(c) of 2003 PA 173, providing for payments to the life sciences commercial development fund.
   (d) Money or assets received by the state treasurer or the fund from any source for deposit in the investment fund.
   (e) Interest and earnings on any funds or other assets deposited in the investment fund or other net income of the investment fund.

(6) The net income of the investment fund may be expended by the fund only for purposes authorized under this chapter or chapter 8C pursuant to an appropriation authorized by law. As used in this section, the net income of the investment fund shall be computed annually as of the last day of the state fiscal year in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, excluding any unrealized gains or losses.

(7) The fund board shall be the trustees of the investment fund and shall direct the investment and reinvestment of the funds and assets of the investment fund as consistent with the objectives of this chapter or
chapter 8C.

(8) The fund board may establish restricted subaccounts within the investment fund as necessary to administer the investment fund. The fund board may contract with the state treasurer to assist the fund board in administering the investment fund. The fund board may authorize money in the investment fund not invested as authorized under sections 88d, 88e, 88f, 88g, 88q, and 88r and chapter 8C to be managed by the state treasurer as part of the common cash fund of this state under 1967 PA 55, MCL 12.51 to 12.53. Money managed by the state treasurer under this subsection shall be separately accounted for by the state treasurer. When authorized under this subsection, the state treasurer may invest the funds or assets of the investment fund in any investment authorized under 1855 PA 105, MCL 21.141 to 21.147, for surplus funds of this state, in obligations issued by any state or political subdivision or instrumentality of the United States, or in any obligation issued, assumed, or guaranteed by a solvent entity created or existing under the laws of the United States or of any state, district, or territory of the United States, which are not in default as to principal or interest.

(9) A member of the fund board or officer of the fund shall not gain from any investment of funds or assets of the investment fund. A member of the fund board or officer of the fund shall not have any direct or indirect interest in an investment of funds or assets of the investment fund. A member of the fund board or person connected with the investment fund directly or indirectly, for himself or herself, or as an agent or partner of others, shall not borrow any of the funds or assets of the investment fund or in any manner use funds or assets of the investment fund except as authorized under this chapter. A member of the fund board or officer of the fund shall not become an endorser or surety or become in any manner an obligor for money loaned by or borrowed from the investment fund. Failure to comply with this subsection constitutes misconduct in office subject to removal under section 94. In addition to any other sanction, a person who violates this subsection is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 90 days or a fine of not more than $500.00, or both.


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