28.701 Transfer of powers and duties of the tax fraud division of the department of treasury to the department of state police by type III transfer.

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 2, of the Constitution of the State of Michigan of 1963 empowers the Governor to make changes in the organization of the Executive Branch or in the assignment of functions among its units which he considers necessary for efficient administration; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Fraud Division is currently located in the Department of Treasury; and

WHEREAS, the functions, duties and responsibilities assigned to the Tax Fraud Division can be more effectively organized and carried out under the supervision and direction of the head of the Department of State Police; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary in the interests of efficient administration and effectiveness of government to effect changes in the organization of the Executive Branch of government.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Engler, Governor of the State of Michigan, pursuant to the powers vested in me by the Constitution of the State of Michigan of 1963 and the laws of the State of Michigan, do hereby order the following:

(1) All the authority, powers, duties, functions and responsibilities, including the functions of budgeting, procurement and management-related functions, of the Tax Fraud Division are hereby transferred from the Department of Treasury to the Department of State Police by a Type III transfer, as defined by Section 3 of Act No. 380 of the Public Acts of 1965, as amended, being Section 16.103 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

(2) The Director of the Department of State Police may continue the current organization of the Tax Fraud Division or may administer the assigned functions in other ways to promote efficient administration.

(3) The Director of the Department of State Police shall provide executive direction and supervision for the implementation of the transfer. The assigned functions shall be administered under the direction and supervision of the Director of the Department of State Police and all prescribed functions of rule making, licensing and registration, including the prescription of rules, regulations, standards and adjudications, shall be transferred to the Director of the Department of State Police.

(4) All records, personnel, property and unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations and other funds used, held, employed, available or to be made available to the Tax Fraud Division for the activities transferred to the Department of State Police by this Order are hereby transferred to the Department of State Police.

(5) The Director of the Department of State Police shall make internal organizational changes as may be administratively necessary to complete the realignment of responsibilities prescribed by this Order.

(6) The State Treasurer and the Director of the Department of State Police shall immediately initiate coordination to facilitate the transfer and develop a memorandum of record identifying any pending settlements, issues of compliance with applicable federal and State laws and regulations, or other obligations to be resolved by the Tax Fraud Division.

(7) All rules, orders, contracts and agreements relating to the assigned functions lawfully adopted prior to the effective date of this Order shall continue to be effective until revised, amended or repealed.

(8) Any suit, action or other proceeding lawfully commenced by, against or before any entity affected by this Order shall not abate by reason of the taking effect of this Order. Any suit, action or other proceeding may be maintained by, against or before the appropriate successor of any entity affected by this Order.

In fulfillment of the requirement of Article V, Section 2, of the constitution of the State of Michigan of 1963, the provisions of this Order shall become effective 60 days from January 13, 1993.