



# SENATE BILL No. 321

February 22, 1995, Introduced by Senator STEIL and  
referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

A bill to amend sections 7 and 50 of Act No. 388 of the  
Public Acts of 1976, entitled as amended  
"Michigan campaign finance act,"  
section 7 as amended and section 50 as added by Act No. 385 of  
the Public Acts of 1994, being sections 169.207 and 169.250 of  
the Michigan Compiled Laws.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Section 1. Sections 7 and 50 of Act No. 388 of the Public  
2 Acts of 1976, section 7 as amended and section 50 as added by Act  
3 No. 385 of the Public Acts of 1994, being sections 169.207 and  
4 169.250 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, are amended to read as  
5 follows:

6 Sec. 7. (1) "Filed" means the receipt by the appropriate  
7 filing official of a statement or report required to be filed  
8 under this act.

1       (2) "Filer" means a person required to file a statement or  
2 report pursuant to this act.

3       (3) "Filing official" means the official designated pursuant  
4 to this act to receive required statements and reports.

5       (4) "Fund raising event" means an event such as a dinner,  
6 reception, testimonial, rally, auction, bingo, or similar affair  
7 through which contributions are solicited or received by purchase  
8 of a ticket, payment of an attendance fee, making a donation,  
9 purchase of chances for prizes, or purchase of goods or  
10 services.

11       (5) "Gift" means a payment, subscription, advance, forbear-  
12 ance, rendering, or deposit of money, services, or anything of  
13 value, unless consideration of equal or greater value is given in  
14 exchange.

15       (6) "Honorarium" means a payment of money OR ANYTHING OF  
16 VALUE to a person holding elective office as consideration for an  
17 appearance, a speech, an article, or any activity related to or  
18 associated with the performance of duties as an elected  
19 official. An honorarium does not include any of the following:

20       (a) Reimbursement for the cost of transportation, accommoda-  
21 tions, or meals for the person.

22       (b) Wages, salaries, other employee compensation, and  
23 expenses authorized to be paid by this state or a political sub-  
24 division of this state to the person holding elective office.

25       (c) An award.

26       Sec. 50. ~~A legislator~~ AN ELECTED OR APPOINTED PUBLIC  
27 OFFICIAL shall not accept an honorarium. A person who knowingly

1 violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a  
2 fine of not more than \$1,000.00 or imprisonment for not more than  
3 90 days, or both.