HOUSE BILL No. 4577

April 10, 2003, Introduced by Reps. Bieda, Elkins, Gillard, Gleason, Lipsey, Paletko, Gieleghem, Dennis, Condino, Tobocman, Minore, Meisner, Wojno, Accavitti, Vagnozzi, Brandenburg, Stewart, Pappageorge and Stahl and referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 388, entitled "Michigan campaign finance act,"

(MCL 169.201 to 169.282) by adding section 48.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 48. (1) Except for an automated telephonic
- 2 communication by or on behalf of an individual acting
- 3 independently and not as an agent for a candidate or a committee,
- 4 an automated telephonic communication with an elector that
- 5 relates to a candidate shall clearly state, at the beginning of
- 6 the communication, the identity of the person paying for the
- 7 communication. If the communication described in this subsection
- 8 is an independent expenditure not authorized in writing by a
- 9 candidate's candidate committee, the communication shall clearly
- .0 state at the beginning the following disclaimer: "Not authorized

by a candidate committee". If the communication described in

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- 1 this subsection is not an independent expenditure, but is paid
- 2 for by a person other than the candidate to whom it is related,
- 3 the communication shall clearly state at the beginning the
- 4 following disclaimer: "Authorized by (name of candidate or name
- 5 of candidate committee)".
- 6 (2) A person who knowingly violates this section is guilty of
- 7 a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000.00.

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