SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 4865

A bill to amend 1964 PA 265, entitled "Uniform securities act,"

by amending section 202 (MCL 451.602), as amended by 2003 PA 150.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 202. (a) A broker-dealer, agent, or investment adviser
- 2 may obtain an initial registration by filing with the administrator
- 3 an application together with a consent to service of process
- 4 pursuant to section 414(g). The application shall contain the
- 5 information that the administrator by rule requires concerning any
- 6 of the following:
- 7 (1) The applicant's form and place of organization.
- 8 (2) The applicant's proposed method of doing business.
- 9 (3) The qualifications and business history of the applicant;

- 1 in the case of a broker-dealer or investment adviser, the
- 2 qualifications and business history of any partner, officer, or
- 3 director, any person occupying a similar status or performing
- 4 similar functions, or any person directly or indirectly controlling
- 5 the broker-dealer or investment adviser; and, in the case of an
- 6 investment adviser, the qualifications and business history of any
- 7 employee.
- **8** (4) Any injunction or administrative order or conviction of a
- 9 misdemeanor or of a felony.
- 10 (5) The applicant's financial condition and history.
- 11 (b) The administrator may by rule or order require an
- 12 applicant for initial registration to publish an announcement of
- 13 the application in 1 or more specified newspapers published in this
- 14 state. Registration becomes effective upon order of the
- 15 administrator. The administrator may by rule or order establish
- 16 classes of or otherwise condition the registration of broker-
- 17 dealers, agents, or investment advisers.
- 18 (c) Before October 1, 2003 or after September 30, 2007 **2012**,
- 19 an applicant for registration shall pay a filing fee and every
- 20 registrant shall pay an annual fee of \$250.00 in the case of a
- 21 broker-dealer, \$30.00 in the case of an agent, and \$150.00 in the
- 22 case of an investment adviser. Before October 1, 2003 or after
- 23 September 30, 2007—**2012**, an applicant filing an application for
- 24 registration of a successor pursuant to subsection (d) shall pay a
- 25 filing fee of \$100.00 for the unexpired portion of the year. Before
- 26 October 1, 2003 or after September 30, 2007 **2012**, a registered
- 27 agent who has terminated his or her connection with a broker-dealer

- 1 shall pay a transfer fee of \$10.00 when transferring his or her
- 2 connection to another broker-dealer. After September 30, 2003 and
- 3 before October 1, 2007 **2012**, an applicant for registration shall
- 4 pay a filing fee and every registrant shall pay an annual fee of
- 5 \$300.00 in the case of a broker-dealer, \$65.00 in the case of an
- 6 agent, and \$200.00 in the case of an investment adviser. After
- 7 September 30, 2003 and before October 1, 2007 **2012**, an applicant
- 8 filing an application for registration of a successor pursuant to
- 9 subsection (d) shall pay a filing fee of \$125.00 for the unexpired
- 10 portion of the year. After September 30, 2003 and before October 1,
- 11 2007 2012, a registered agent who has terminated his or her
- 12 connection with a broker-dealer shall pay a transfer fee of \$20.00
- 13 when transferring his or her connection to another broker-dealer.
- 14 (d) A registered broker-dealer or investment adviser may file
- 15 an application for registration of a successor, whether or not the
- 16 successor is then in existence. The administrator may grant or deny
- 17 the application.
- 18 (e) An applicant for registration under this act or an issuer
- 19 who offers or sells a security in this state through any person
- 20 shall file with the administrator, in the form prescribed by the
- 21 administrator by rule or order, an irrevocable consent to service
- 22 of process.
- 23 (f) Subject to the requirements of section 15 of the
- 24 securities exchange act of 1934, 15 U.S.C. USC 780, and section 222
- of the investment advisers act of 1940, 15 U.S.C. USC 80b-18a, the
- 26 administrator may by rule or order require a minimum capital for
- 27 registered broker-dealers and investment advisers and prescribe a

- 1 ratio between net capital and aggregate indebtedness. If the
- 2 registrant fails to comply with the minimum net capital
- 3 requirement, the registrant shall immediately cease all investment
- 4 advisory or securities business operations and promptly notify the
- 5 administrator of its failure to maintain the required net capital,
- 6 of the steps to be taken to cure the net capital deficiency, and of
- 7 its anticipated date of reopening business operations. The
- 8 registrant shall not reactivate its securities or investment
- 9 advisory business operations without prior notification to the
- 10 administrator.
- 11 (g) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the
- 12 administrator may require a fidelity bond from a broker-dealer,
- 13 agent, or investment adviser who is required to be registered under
- 14 this act. The administrator may not require a bond from a broker-
- 15 dealer that is registered under the securities exchange act of 1934
- 16 or an investment adviser that maintains its principal place of
- 17 business in a state other than this state if the investment adviser
- 18 is registered in that other state and is in compliance with that
- 19 state's bonding requirements, if any.
- 20 (h) Unless the requirement is waived by rule or order of the
- 21 administrator, all persons, including but not limited to partners,
- 22 officers, directors, and agents employed by a broker-dealer or
- 23 investment adviser who are regularly employed within this state
- 24 shall, as a condition of employment, be fingerprinted. The
- 25 administrator may process the fingerprint cards with the federal
- 26 bureau of investigation and the department of state police either
- 27 directly or through the national association of securities dealers.

- The fingerprints or information relating to the fingerprints shall 1
- be used for the official use of the administrator only. 2