

# HOUSE BILL No. 5354

February 2, 2012, Introduced by Reps. Bauer, Dillon, Byrum, Darany, Lipton, Slavens, Bledsoe, Brunner, Segal, Olumba, Geiss, Hovey-Wright, Tlaib, Stallworth, Durhal, Nathan, Ananich, Lindberg, Switalski, Kandrevas, Rutledge, Meadows, Cavanagh, McCann, Irwin, Townsend, Liss, Hammel, Howze and Brown and referred to the Committee on Redistricting and Elections.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 388, entitled  
"Michigan campaign finance act,"  
by amending section 54 (MCL 169.254), as amended by 1995 PA 264.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1       Sec. 54. (1) Except with respect to the exceptions and  
2 conditions in subsections (2) and (3) and ~~section~~**SECTIONS 55, 55B,**  
3 **AND 55D,** and to loans made in the ordinary course of business, a  
4 corporation, joint stock company, domestic dependent sovereign, or  
5 labor organization shall not make a contribution or expenditure or  
6 provide volunteer personal services that are excluded from the  
7 definition of a contribution pursuant to section 4(3)(a).

8       (2) An officer, director, stockholder, attorney, agent, or any  
9 other person acting for a labor organization, a domestic dependent  
10 sovereign, or a corporation or joint stock company, whether  
11 incorporated under the laws of this or any other state or foreign

1 country, except corporations formed for political purposes, shall  
2 not make a contribution or expenditure or provide volunteer  
3 personal services that are excluded from the definition of a  
4 contribution pursuant to section 4(3)(a).

5 (3) A corporation, joint stock company, domestic dependent  
6 sovereign, or labor organization may make a contribution to a  
7 ballot question committee subject to this act. A corporation, joint  
8 stock company, domestic dependent sovereign, or labor organization  
9 may make an independent expenditure in any amount for the  
10 qualification, passage, or defeat of a ballot question. A  
11 corporation, joint stock company, domestic dependent sovereign, or  
12 labor organization that makes an independent expenditure under this  
13 subsection is considered a ballot question committee for the  
14 purposes of this act.

15 (4) A person who knowingly violates this section is guilty of  
16 a felony punishable, if the person is an individual, by a fine of  
17 not more than \$5,000.00 or imprisonment for not more than 3 years,  
18 or both, or, if the person is not an individual, by a fine of not  
19 more than \$10,000.00.

20 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect  
21 unless all of the following bills of the 96th Legislature are  
22 enacted into law:

23 (a) Senate Bill No.\_\_\_\_ or House Bill No.\_\_\_\_ (request no.  
24 01994'11).

25 (b) Senate Bill No.\_\_\_\_ or House Bill No. 5348(request no.  
26 01995'11).

27 (c) Senate Bill No.\_\_\_\_ or House Bill No. 5352(request no.

1 01996'11).

2 (d) Senate Bill No.\_\_\_\_ or House Bill No.\_\_\_\_ (request no.

3 01997'11).