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HOUSE BILL No. 4140

January 30, 2013, Introduced by Reps. Somerville and Muxlow and referred to the Committee on Local Government.

A bill to amend 1945 PA 327, entitled "Aeronautics code of the state of Michigan," by amending sections 111, 112, 113, and 114 (MCL 259.111, 259.112, 259.113, and 259.114), as added by 2002 PA 90.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Sec. 111. (1) An authority created under or pursuant to this chapter shall be directed and governed by a board consisting of 7 members.
 - (2) The SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (8), THE members of a board OF

 AN AUTHORITY created under section 110(2) shall be appointed as

 follows:
 - (a) Two board members shall be appointed by the governor, with 1 board member appointed for an initial term of 6 years and 1 board member appointed for an initial term of 8 years.
 - (b) One board member shall be appointed by the legislative body of the local government that owns the airport, for an initial

- 1 term of 4 years. Notwithstanding any other statute, law, ordinance,
- 2 or charter provision to the contrary, the board member appointed by
- 3 the legislative body may be a member of the legislative body of the
- 4 local government that owns the airport, but only while continuing
- 5 to serve as a member of the legislative body of that local
- 6 government.
- 7 (c) Four board members shall be appointed by the local chief
- 8 executive officer of the local government that owns the airport,
- 9 with 1 board member appointed for an initial term of 4 years, 1
- 10 board member appointed for an initial term of 2 years, and 2 board
- 11 members appointed for an initial term of 6 years.
- 12 (d) Each appointing entity shall file each appointment under
- 13 this subsection with the department. Each subsequent appointment by
- 14 an appointing entity to fill a vacancy on the board shall also be
- 15 filed with the department.
- 16 (3) Upon incorporation of an authority pursuant to UNDER
- 17 section 110(3), the local chief executive officer, with the consent
- 18 of the legislative body of the local government if the local chief
- 19 executive officer is not elected, shall appoint the members of the
- 20 board. Of the board members first appointed under this subsection,
- 21 1 board member shall be appointed for a term of 2 years, 2 board
- 22 members shall be appointed for terms of 4 years each, 3 board
- 23 members shall be appointed for terms of 6 years each, and 1 board
- 24 member shall be appointed for a term of 8 years.
- 25 (4) A board member appointed pursuant to UNDER subsection
- 26 (2)(b) or (c), or (3), OR (8)(B) OR (C) must be a citizen of the
- 27 United States and a resident of the local government that owns the

- 1 airport over which operational jurisdiction will be transferred to
- 2 an authority. A board member appointed pursuant to UNDER subsection
- 3 (2)(a) OR (8)(A) must be a citizen of the United States and a
- 4 resident of the area within the jurisdiction of the regional
- 5 planning commission created under 1945 PA 281, MCL 125.11 to
- 6 125.25, in which the airport over which operational jurisdiction
- 7 will be transferred is located. Except as permitted by subsection
- 8 (2)(b) OR (8)(B), a person shall not be appointed under subsection
- 9 (2), or (3), OR (8) as a board member if he or she is, or was
- 10 during the 12 months preceding the date of appointment, an elected
- 11 public official or employee of this state or an agency or
- 12 instrumentality of this state, a local government or an agency or
- 13 instrumentality of a local government, or the federal government or
- 14 an agency or instrumentality of the federal government.
- 15 (5) A board member appointed pursuant to UNDER subsection (2),
- 16 or (3), OR (8), a chief executive officer, and A chief financial
- 17 officer of an authority, shall, at time of appointment or hiring
- 18 and subject to subsection (6), meet all of the following
- 19 qualifications:
- 20 (a) Neither the board member or the chief executive officer or
- 21 chief financial officer, nor the spouse or his or her siblings,
- 22 children or their spouses, parents, or siblings or their spouses of
- 23 the board member or the chief executive officer or chief financial
- 24 officer, are actively engaged or employed in any other business,
- 25 vocation, or employment of any civil aeronautics enterprise
- 26 connected with the airport under the control of the authority.
- 27 (b) Neither the board member or the chief executive officer or

- 1 chief financial officer, nor the spouse or his or her siblings,
- 2 children or their spouses, parents, or siblings or their spouses of
- 3 the board member or the chief executive officer or chief financial
- 4 officer, have a combined 15% or greater direct pecuniary interest
- 5 in any civil aeronautics enterprise connected with the airport
- 6 under the control of the authority.
- 7 (c) The board member or the chief executive officer or chief
- 8 financial officer would not be considered to have a conflict of
- 9 interest under 1968 PA 318, MCL 15.301 to 15.310, in respect to any
- 10 contract or subcontract involving the airport if the board member
- 11 or the chief executive officer or chief financial officer were
- 12 considered a state officer under 1968 PA 318, MCL 15.301 to 15.310.
- 13 (6) A board member OR HIS OR HER RELATIVE who, at any time
- 14 during his or her term of service, becomes in violation of
- 15 subsection (5)(b) shall have 30 days to divest, or arrange for the
- 16 divestment of, the interest that caused the violation. If the board
- 17 member or his or her relative is still in violation of subsection
- 18 (5)(b) after the expiration of the 30-day period, the entity that
- 19 appointed that board member shall remove the board member from
- 20 office.
- 21 (7) Notwithstanding any law or charter provision to the
- 22 contrary, appointments by a local chief executive officer under
- 23 subsection (2) shall—ARE not be—subject to the—approval by the
- 24 legislative body of the local government.
- 25 (8) THE BOARD OF AN AUTHORITY APPOINTED UNDER SUBSECTION (2)
- 26 THAT EXISTS ON THE DATE OF THE 2013 AMENDATORY ACT THAT AMENDED
- 27 THIS SECTION IS DISSOLVED EFFECTIVE 30 DAYS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE

- 1 DATE OF THE 2013 AMENDATORY ACT THAT AMENDED THIS SECTION AND SHALL
- 2 BE REPLACED WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE 2013
- 3 AMENDATORY ACT THAT AMENDED THIS SECTION WITH A BOARD WHOSE MEMBERS
- 4 ARE APPOINTED AS FOLLOWS:
- 5 (A) TWO BOARD MEMBERS SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR, WITH
- 6 1 BOARD MEMBER APPOINTED FOR AN INITIAL TERM OF 6 YEARS AND 1 BOARD
- 7 MEMBER APPOINTED FOR AN INITIAL TERM OF 8 YEARS.
- 8 (B) FOUR BOARD MEMBERS SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE
- 9 BODY OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT THAT OWNS THE AIRPORT, WITH 1 BOARD
- 10 MEMBER APPOINTED FOR AN INITIAL TERM OF 4 YEARS, 1 BOARD MEMBER
- 11 APPOINTED FOR AN INITIAL TERM OF 2 YEARS, AND 2 BOARD MEMBERS
- 12 APPOINTED FOR AN INITIAL TERM OF 6 YEARS. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER
- 13 STATUTE, LAW, ORDINANCE, OR CHARTER PROVISION TO THE CONTRARY, A
- 14 BOARD MEMBER APPOINTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE BODY MAY BE A MEMBER OF
- 15 THE LEGISLATIVE BODY OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT THAT OWNS THE AIRPORT,
- 16 BUT ONLY WHILE CONTINUING TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE LEGISLATIVE
- 17 BODY OF THAT LOCAL GOVERNMENT.
- 18 (C) ONE BOARD MEMBER SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE LOCAL CHIEF
- 19 EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT THAT OWNS THE AIRPORT FOR
- 20 AN INITIAL TERM OF 4 YEARS.
- 21 (D) EACH APPOINTING ENTITY SHALL FILE EACH APPOINTMENT UNDER
- 22 THIS SUBSECTION WITH THE DEPARTMENT. EACH SUBSEQUENT APPOINTMENT BY
- 23 AN APPOINTING ENTITY TO FILL A VACANCY ON THE BOARD SHALL ALSO BE
- 24 FILED WITH THE DEPARTMENT.
- 25 (9) (8) The board shall appoint a chief executive officer who
- 26 shall be an ex officio member, without vote, of the board and shall
- 27 not be considered in determining the presence of a quorum. 7 who A

- 1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER APPOINTED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION shall have
- 2 professional qualifications commensurate with the responsibility of
- 3 the jobs to be performed by such officials. The board may enter
- 4 into a contract with the chief executive officer for a commercially
- 5 reasonable length of time commensurate with the length of time for
- 6 contracts of airport chief executive officers, directors, or
- 7 managers with similar responsibilities at other airports or airport
- 8 authorities within or without this state with a comparable number
- 9 of annual enplanements.
- 10 (10) (9) The chief executive officer shall appoint a chief
- 11 financial officer who shall be the treasurer of the authority -AND
- 12 who shall have professional qualifications commensurate with the
- 13 responsibility of the jobs to be performed by such officials.
- 14 Notwithstanding any law or charter provision to the contrary, it
- 15 shall be IS the duty and right of the chief financial officer of
- 16 the authority to receive all money belonging to the authority, or
- 17 arising or received in connection with the airport over which
- 18 operational jurisdiction has been transferred to the authority,
- 19 from whatever source derived. Money of the authority shall be
- 20 deposited, invested, and paid by the chief financial officer only
- 21 in accordance with policies, procedures, ordinances, or resolutions
- 22 adopted by the board. Upon the approval date, the authority shall
- 23 be—IS considered to be the owner of all money or other property
- 24 then or thereafter received by the treasurer of the local
- 25 government or deposited in the treasury of a local government to
- 26 the credit of the airport for which operational jurisdiction has
- 27 been transferred to the authority. The authority shall be IS

- 1 entitled to all interest and other earnings on those funds THAT
- 2 MONEY on and after the latter of the effective date of this chapter
- 3 MARCH 26, 2002 or the date on which the authority is created or
- 4 incorporated. The treasurer of any local government receiving or
- 5 having custody of money or other property belonging to an authority
- 6 under this chapter shall promptly transfer the money and other
- 7 property to the custody of the chief financial officer of the
- 8 authority. The chief financial officer shall provide the board with
- 9 copies of all reports made by the chief financial officer to the
- 10 chief executive officer.
- 11 Sec. 112. (1) Upon the expiration of the term of an initial
- 12 appointment under section 111(2), or (3), OR (8), all full term
- 13 appointments OF MEMBERS OF A BOARD shall be for a term of 6 years.
- 14 The expiration date of the term of office of a member of the board
- 15 shall be on October 1 of the year in which the term is to expire,
- 16 but a member of the board shall hold office until the board
- 17 member's successor is appointed and qualified, or until resignation
- 18 or removal. If a member of the board is unable to complete his or
- 19 her term of office, a successor shall be appointed in the same
- 20 manner as the original appointment to complete the term. A member
- 21 of the board may resign by written notice to the authority. The
- 22 resignation is effective upon its receipt by the secretary or
- 23 chairperson of the authority or at a subsequent time as set forth
- 24 in the notice of resignation.
- 25 (2) A member of the board may not be appointed to serve more
- 26 than 2 consecutive full terms. For purposes of this subsection, an
- 27 initial term under section 111(2) OR (8) and an appointment to fill

- 1 a vacancy in a term with more than 3 years remaining count as full
- 2 terms.
- 3 (3) The appointing entity for any A board member appointed
- 4 under section 111(2), or (3), OR (8) may only remove a board member
- 5 appointed by the appointing entity for cause.
- 6 (4) Before assuming the duties of office, a member of the
- 7 board shall qualify by taking and subscribing to the constitutional
- 8 oath of office.
- 9 Sec. 113. (1) Upon the appointment of at least 4 members of
- 10 the A board under section 111(2) OR (8), the board may hold its
- 11 first meeting. If less FEWER than 4 members of the board have been
- 12 appointed under section 111(2) OR (8) within 30 days after the date
- on which the authority is created, a majority of those board
- 14 members appointed may hold the first meeting of the board after the
- 15 expiration of that 30-day period. The first meeting of the board
- 16 shall not be held more than 60 days after the creation date of the
- 17 authority. Not later than 60 days after an authority is
- 18 incorporated under section 110(3), the board of the authority shall
- 19 hold its first meeting. At the first meeting, the board shall
- 20 organize by electing a chairperson, a vice-chairperson, a
- 21 secretary, and additional officers of the board as the board
- 22 considers necessary. All officers of the board shall be elected
- 23 annually by the board. All officers of the authority, except the
- 24 chief executive officer and the chief financial officer, must be
- 25 members of the board.
- 26 (2) The business that OF the board may perform shall be
- 27 conducted at a public meeting of the board held in compliance with

- 1 the open meetings act, 1976 PA 267, MCL 15.261 to 15.275. Public
- 2 notice of the time, date, and place of the meeting shall be given
- 3 in the manner required by the open meetings act, 1976 PA 267, MCL
- 4 15.261 to 15.275. A board shall adopt rules consistent with the
- 5 open meetings act, 1976 PA 267, MCL 15.261 to 15.275, governing its
- 6 procedures and the holding of meetings.
- 7 (3) Except for those powers reserved or delegated to the chief
- 8 executive officer of an authority by this chapter or by the board,
- 9 the board shall not delegate any power of the board to any other
- 10 officer or committee of the authority except as provided in section
- 11 114(3). The board may withdraw from the chief executive officer any
- 12 power that the board had delegated to the chief executive officer.
- 13 (4) Members of a board may be reimbursed by an authority for
- 14 actual and necessary expenses incurred in the discharge of their
- 15 official duties. The members of the board shall not be compensated
- 16 for service to the authority or attendance at any meetings.
- 17 (5) A board may act only by resolution or ordinance. A
- 18 majority of the members of the board then in office, or of any
- 19 committee of the board, shall constitute ARE a quorum for the
- 20 transaction of business. A vote of a majority of the members of the
- 21 board serving at the time of the vote is necessary to approve the
- 22 issuance by the authority of bonds, including special facilities
- 23 bonds, or other obligations payable from revenues, including
- 24 special facilities revenues, derived from the airport, or to
- 25 approve or amend the annual budget of the authority or hire, remove
- 26 or discharge, or set the salary of the chief executive officer.
- 27 Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, a vote of the

- 1 majority of the board members present at a meeting at which a
- 2 quorum is present constitutes the action of the board or of the
- 3 committee.
- 4 Sec. 114. (1) After organization, a board shall adopt a
- 5 schedule of regular meetings and adopt a regular meeting date,
- 6 place, and time. The board shall meet not less than quarterly per
- 7 year. The board chairperson shall call a special meeting upon
- 8 request of 3 members of the board in the manner required by the
- 9 open meetings act, 1976 PA 267, MCL 15.261 to 15.275. A board shall
- 10 keep a written or printed record of each meeting, which record and
- 11 any other writing prepared, owned, used, in the possession of, or
- 12 retained by the board in the performance of an official function
- 13 shall be made available to the public in compliance with the
- 14 freedom of information act, 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.231 to 15.246.
- 15 (2) A board shall provide for a system of accounts to conform
- 16 to a uniform system required by law and for the auditing at least
- 17 once a year of the accounts of the authority by an independent
- 18 certified public accountant selected by the audit committee
- 19 pursuant to subsection (3). A board shall meet any and all auditing
- 20 or financial reporting requirements imposed by law and shall file a
- 21 copy of its annual audit with the department and with the clerk of
- 22 the house of representatives and the secretary of the senate. An
- 23 authority shall provide the necessary reports to the local
- 24 government that owns the airport over which operational
- 25 jurisdiction has been transferred in a timely manner in order for
- 26 the local government to be able to comply with the reporting
- 27 requirements of the government finance officers association of the

- 1 United States and Canada. A board shall require of the chief
- 2 financial officer and chief executive officer of the authority TO
- 3 OBTAIN a suitable bond of not less than \$100,000.00 by a
- 4 responsible bonding company, and the cost of the premium of the
- 5 bond shall be paid by the authority.
- 6 (3) A board appointed under section 111(3) shall appoint an
- 7 audit committee consisting of 3 members of the board. With respect
- 8 to boards appointed pursuant to UNDER section 111(2) OR (8), the
- 9 board shall have a 3-member audit committee with each appointing
- 10 entity represented on the board designating 1 board member
- 11 appointee to serve on the audit committee. The audit committee
- 12 shall hold its first meeting within 60 days after the creation or
- 13 incorporation of the authority under this chapter. A majority of
- 14 members appointed and designated as audit committee members by an
- 15 appointing entity under this subsection may conduct the business of
- 16 the committee. The audit committee shall meet not less than 4 times
- 17 each year with the chief financial officer, the chief executive
- 18 officer of the authority, and the authority's independent public
- 19 auditors to review the reports related to the financial condition,
- 20 operations, performance, and management of the authority and
- 21 airport including, but not limited to, all contractors and
- 22 subcontractors, and may also order special investigations or
- 23 audits, the cost of which shall be reimbursed by the authority. The
- 24 audit committee shall also review the activities and reports of the
- 25 internal auditor of the authority who shall be appointed by the
- 26 chief executive officer of the authority. The audit committee of a
- 27 board appointed pursuant to UNDER section 111(2) OR (8) shall once

- 1 every 2 years, recommend 3 independent certified public accounting
- 2 firms that, in the judgment of the audit committee, possess
- 3 sufficient resources and qualifications to conduct annual financial
- 4 audits of the accounts of the authority. Not less that THAN 90 days
- 5 prior to BEFORE the first full fiscal year of the authority and the
- 6 last fiscal year of each subsequent contract period for which
- 7 financial audits will be conducted under section 114(2), SUBSECTION
- 8 (2), the 3 recommendations of the audit committee shall be
- 9 presented to the legislative body of the local government that owns
- 10 the airport over which operational jurisdiction has been
- 11 transferred pursuant to UNDER this chapter. From the 3
- 12 recommendations of the audit committee, the legislative body of the
- 13 local government may select, not more than 30 days after receipt of
- 14 the recommendations of the audit committee, the independent
- 15 certified public accounting firm with whom the authority shall
- 16 execute an agreement to conduct annual financial audits for the
- 17 succeeding 2 fiscal years of the accounts of the authority. If the
- 18 legislative body does not select 1 of the recommended independent
- 19 certified public accounting firms to conduct annual financial
- 20 audits for the next 2 fiscal years of the authority within 30 days
- 21 after receipt of the recommendations of the audit committee, the
- 22 audit committee shall have HAS the sole power to select the
- 23 independent certified public accounting firm with whom the
- 24 authority shall execute an agreement to conduct annual financial
- 25 audits of the accounts of the authority for the next 2 fiscal
- 26 years. The terms and conditions of a contract to be entered into
- 27 with the independent certified public accounting firm selected by

- 1 the legislative body of the local government shall be exclusively
- 2 established by the authority. The legislative body of the local
- 3 government shall not have the right or power to modify any THE
- 4 proposed terms and conditions of a contract between the authority
- 5 and an independent certified public accounting firm recommended by
- 6 the audit committee. Neither the legislative body nor any member of
- 7 the legislative body of the local government shall impose any A
- 8 requirement, restriction, or condition upon, or solicit any
- 9 agreement or contribution from, the independent certified public
- 10 accounting firm or any member or employee of the independent
- 11 certified public accounting firm, selected or considered by the
- 12 legislative body of the local government. No A charter provision or
- 13 resolution of the local government shall NOT contradict,
- 14 supplement, or expand this subsection. A person may not prevent or
- 15 prohibit the internal auditor or the audit committee from carrying
- 16 out or completing any audit or investigation. The internal auditor
- 17 and members of the audit committee shall be ARE protected under the
- 18 whistleblowers' protection act, 1980 PA 469, MCL 15.361 to 15.369.
- 19 (4) A board shall appoint and fix the compensation of a chief
- 20 executive officer of the authority by a vote of not less than the
- 21 majority of the members of the board then serving. The board shall
- 22 prescribe those THE duties and responsibilities of the chief
- 23 executive officer of the authority that are in addition to the
- 24 duties and responsibilities imposed upon the chief executive
- 25 officer of the authority by this chapter. The chief executive
- 26 officer of an authority shall serve at the pleasure of the board
- 27 and the board may remove or discharge the chief executive officer

- 1 of the authority by a vote of not less than the majority of the
- 2 members of the board then serving. The chief executive officer of
- 3 an authority shall supervise, and be responsible for, all of the
- 4 following:
- 5 (a) The day-to-day operation of the airport, including the
- 6 control, supervision, management, and oversight of the functions of
- 7 the airport.
- 8 (b) The issuance of bonds and notes approved by the board.
- 9 (c) The negotiation and establishment of compensation and
- 10 other terms and conditions of employment for employees of the
- **11** authority.
- 12 (d) The appointment, dismissal, discipline, demotion,
- 13 promotion, and classification of employees of the authority.
- 14 (e) The negotiation, supervision, and enforcement of contracts
- 15 entered into by the authority, and the supervision of contractors
- 16 and subcontractors of the authority in their performance of their
- 17 duties.
- 18 (f) The appointment of an internal auditor who shall have
- 19 professional qualifications commensurate with the responsibility of
- 20 the jobs to be performed by such an official, and who shall:
- 21 (i) Report to the chief executive officer and provide
- 22 information to the board and its audit committee as required under
- 23 this chapter.
- 24 (ii) Receive and investigate any allegations that false or
- 25 misleading information was received in evaluating the authority's
- 26 internal accounting and administrative control system.
- 27 (iii) Conduct and supervise audits relating to financial

- 1 activities of the authority's operations.
- (iv) Recommend policies for activities to protect the
- 3 authority's assets and to prevent and detect fraud and abuse.
- 4 (v) Conduct other audit and investigative activities as
- 5 assigned by the board, the audit committee, or the chief executive
- 6 committee.
- 7 (vi) Adhere to appropriate professional and auditing standards.
- 8 (vii) Provide to the audit committee on an annual basis a
- 9 report prepared by the internal auditor on the evaluation of the
- 10 authority's internal accounting and administrative control system.
- 11 For the period reviewed, the report shall include, but not be
- 12 limited to, both of the following:
- 13 (A) A **DETAILED** description of any material inadequacy or
- 14 weakness discovered in connection with the evaluation of the
- 15 authority's internal accounting and administrative control system
- 16 and a time schedule for correcting the internal accounting and
- 17 administrative control system. , described in detail.
- 18 (B) A listing of each audit or investigation performed by the
- 19 internal auditor pursuant to UNDER this chapter.
- 20 (5) The chief executive officer of an authority shall have the
- 21 power and authority to execute and deliver, and to delegate
- 22 signatory power for, contracts, leases, obligations, and other
- 23 instruments approved by the board or for which power to approve has
- 24 been delegated to the chief executive officer of the authority. The
- 25 chief executive officer of an authority shall have all powers
- 26 incident to the performance of his or her duties that are
- 27 prescribed by this chapter or by the board. The board may delegate

- 1 additional powers to the chief executive officer of the authority
- 2 not enumerated in this chapter. All actions of the chief executive
- 3 officer of an authority shall be in conformance with the policies
- 4 of the board and in compliance with law. The chief executive
- 5 officer of an authority shall attend the meetings of the board and
- 6 shall render to the board a regular report covering the activities
- 7 and financial condition of the airport. If the chief executive
- 8 officer of an authority is temporarily absent or disabled, the
- 9 chief executive officer of the authority may designate a qualified
- 10 person as acting chief executive officer of the authority to
- 11 perform the duties of the office. If the chief executive officer of
- 12 an authority fails or is unable to designate an acting chief
- 13 executive officer of the authority, the board shall designate an
- 14 acting chief executive officer of the authority for the period of
- 15 absence or disability of the chief executive officer of the
- 16 authority. The chief executive officer of the authority shall
- 17 furnish the board with information or reports governing the
- 18 operation of the airport as the board requires.
- 19 (6) The authority shall establish contracting policies and
- 20 procedures providing for all of the following:
- 21 (a) Except for the negotiated construction contracts permitted
- 22 under this subdivision, a contract shall not be awarded by an
- 23 authority or the chief executive officer of the authority for the
- 24 construction, repair, remodeling, or demolition of an airport
- 25 facility unless the contract is let pursuant to a procedure that
- 26 requires a—competitive bidding. A negotiated construction contract
- 27 shall not be required to be let by competitive bidding if the board

- 1 or the chief executive officer of the authority with delegated
- 2 authority to enter into contracts determines that any of the
- **3** following apply:
- 4 (i) The negotiated contract amount is less than \$50,000.00.
- 5 However, if the contract amount, including change orders,
- 6 subsequently exceeds \$50,000.00, the authority shall detail, in
- 7 writing, the reasons why the contract amount exceeded \$50,000.00.
- 8 (ii) As determined in writing by the board or the chief
- 9 executive officer with delegated authority to enter into contracts,
- 10 the contract is for emergency repair or construction necessitated
- 11 by a sudden, unforeseen occurrence or situation of a serious and
- 12 urgent nature and is not for convenience or expediency.
- 13 (iii) As determined in writing by the board or the chief
- 14 executive officer with delegated authority to enter into contracts,
- 15 the repair or construction is necessary to ensure passenger safety
- 16 or otherwise protect life or property.
- 17 (b) The authority shall establish policies and procedures for
- 18 hiring professional service contractors.
- 19 (c) The authority shall utilize competitive bidding for all
- 20 purchases and all other contracts unless the board, or, if
- 21 authorized by the board to approve procurements, the chief
- 22 executive officer of the authority, determines and details in
- 23 writing the reason that competitive solicitation of bids or
- 24 proposals is not appropriate, that procurement by competitive bids
- 25 is not practicable to efficiently and effectively meet the
- 26 authority's needs, or that another procurement method is in the
- 27 public's best interests.

- 1 (7) The authority may enter into lease purchases or
- 2 installment purchases for periods not exceeding the anticipated
- 3 useful life of the items purchased. The authority may enter into a
- 4 cooperative purchasing agreement with the THIS state or other
- 5 public entities for the purchase of goods, including, but not
- 6 limited to, recycled goods, and services necessary for the
- 7 authority.
- 8 (8) The chief executive officer of an authority shall comply
- 9 with all federal and state contracting requirements pertaining to
- 10 disadvantaged business enterprises, minority business enterprises,
- 11 and other targeted business enterprises and shall seek to ensure
- 12 maximum participation of disadvantaged business enterprises,
- 13 minority business enterprises, and other targeted business
- 14 enterprises in contracting opportunities with the authority.
- 15 (9) Members of the board and officers, appointees, and
- 16 employees of the authority are public servants under 1968 PA 317,
- 17 MCL 15.321 to 15.330, and are subject to any other applicable law
- 18 with respect to conflicts of interest. The board shall establish
- 19 policies and procedures requiring periodic disclosure of
- 20 relationships which may give rise to conflicts of interest. The
- 21 board shall require that a member of the board or a chief executive
- 22 officer or chief financial officer who has a direct interest in any
- 23 matter before the authority disclose the member's or officer's
- 24 interest and any reasons reasonably known to the member of the
- 25 board or officer why the transaction may not be in the best
- 26 interest of the public or the authority before the board takes any
- 27 action with respect to the matter. The disclosure shall become part

- 1 of the record of an authority's proceedings.
- 2 (10) An authority shall establish an ethics manual governing

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- 3 the conducting of airport business and the conduct of airport
- 4 employees. An authority shall establish policies that are no less
- 5 stringent than those provided for public officers and employees by
- 6 1973 PA 196, MCL 15.341 to 15.348, and coordinate efforts for the
- 7 authority to preclude the opportunity for and the occurrence of
- 8 transactions by the authority that would create a conflict of
- 9 interest involving members of the board and employees of the
- 10 authority. At a minimum, these policies shall include compliance by
- 11 each member of the board and employees of the authority who
- 12 regularly exercise significant discretion over the award and
- 13 management of authority procurements with policies governing all of
- 14 the following:
- 15 (a) Immediate disclosure of the existence and nature of any
- 16 financial interest that would reasonably be expected to create a
- 17 conflict of interest.
- 18 (b) Withdrawal by an employee or member from participation in
- 19 or discussion or evaluation of any recommendation or decision
- 20 involving an authority procurement that would reasonably be
- 21 expected to create a conflict of interest for that employee or
- member.
- 23 (11) An authority shall work collaboratively with appropriate
- 24 local governmental units in the implementation of any federally
- 25 sanctioned and funded programs for the mitigation of aircraft noise
- 26 and fuel fumes.