

HOUSE BILL NO. 5124

June 24, 2021, Introduced by Rep. Thanedar and referred to the Committee on Workforce, Trades, and Talent.

A bill to classify certain workers as essential workers.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 1. All of the following are classified as essential
2 workers:

- 3 (a) Janitors.
- 4 (b) Retail grocery workers.
- 5 (c) Commercial truck drivers.
- 6 (d) Fast food workers.
- 7 (e) Child care workers.

- 1 (f) Health care and public health workers.
- 2 (g) Law enforcement workers.
- 3 (h) Public safety workers.
- 4 (i) First responder workers.
- 5 (j) Food and agriculture workers.
- 6 (k) Energy workers.
- 7 (l) Water and wastewater workers.
- 8 (m) Transportation and logistics workers.
- 9 (n) Public works workers.
- 10 (o) Communications and information technology workers,
- 11 including news media workers.
- 12 (p) Any other community-based government operations and
- 13 essential functions workers.
- 14 (q) Critical manufacturing workers.
- 15 (r) Hazardous materials workers.
- 16 (s) Financial services workers.
- 17 (t) Chemical supply chains and safety workers.
- 18 (u) Defense industrial base workers.
- 19 (v) Insurance workers, if their work cannot be done remotely.
- 20 (w) Workers who provide food, shelter, and other necessities
- 21 of life for those in need.
- 22 (x) Workers who perform critical labor union functions.
- 23 (y) Workers at retail stores who sell groceries, medical
- 24 supplies, and products necessary to maintain the safety,
- 25 sanitation, and basic operation of residences, including, but not
- 26 limited to, convenience stores, pet supply stores, auto supplies
- 27 and repair stores, hardware and home maintenance stores, and home
- 28 appliance retailers.
- 29 (z) Workers at laundromats, coin laundries, and dry cleaners.