HOUSE BILL NO. 5618

December 08, 2021, Introduced by Rep. Outman and referred to the Committee on Regulatory Reform

A bill to amend 1974 PA 154, entitled "Michigan occupational safety and health act,"

(MCL 408.1001 to 408.1094) by adding section 89.

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Sec. 89. (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this act, an employer shall have a written respiratory protection program to address the safe use of respirators in dangerous atmospheres that may be encountered in emergency operations.
 - (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of this act, an

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- 1 employer shall ensure that a self-contained breathing apparatus for
- 2 use by fire service personnel is of the positive pressure type. All
- 3 breathing apparatuses that are purchased after the effective date
- 4 of this section shall comply with NFPA 1981 "Open Circuit Self-
- 5 Contained Breathing Apparatus for Fire Fighters", 1997 edition.
- 6 This subsection does not prohibit the use of a self-contained
- 7 breathing apparatus where the apparatus can be switched from a
- 8 demand mode to a positive pressure mode when an employee is
- 9 performing emergency operations.