HOUSE BILL NO. 4116

February 25, 2025, Introduced by Reps. Liberati, Miller, Aragona, Wilson, Bierlein, Robinson, St. Germaine, Snyder, Herzberg and Maddock and referred to Committee on Regulatory Reform.

A bill to amend 1917 PA 273, entitled

"An act to regulate and license pawnbrokers that conduct business in this state; to provide for the disposition of allegedly misappropriated property in the possession of pawnbrokers; to provide remedies and prescribe penalties; and to provide for the powers and duties of certain local governmental units and state agencies,"

by amending sections 8 and 9 (MCL 446.208 and 446.209), section 8 as amended by 2002 PA 469 and section 9 as amended by 2018 PA 345.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 8. A pawnbroker, at the time of a loan, shall deliver to
- 2 the person pawning or pledging any article a memorandum or note

- 1 signed by him or her, containing the pawnbroker that contains the
- 2 substance of the entry required to be made by him or her the
- 3 pawnbroker in his or her the pawnbroker's book by that is required
- 4 under section 6. A—The pawnbroker shall not make or receive a
- 5 charge shall not be made or received by the pawnbroker for the
- 6 entry, memorandum, or note. The memorandum or note shall must be
- 7 consecutively numbered, and upon the following must be printed on
- 8 its the back shall be printed of the memorandum or note in English
- 9 in 12-point type: the following: "If interest or charges in excess
- of 3%-5% per month, plus storage charges provided in this document,
- 11 are asked or received, this loan is void and of no effect, ; and
- 12 the borrower cannot be made to pay back the money loaned, any
- 13 interest on the loan, or any charges or any part of the charges,
- 14 and the pawnbroker loses all right to the possession of the goods,
- 15 article, or thing pawned and shall surrender the item to the
- 16 borrower or pawner upon the person pawning on due demand for the
- 17 item.".
- 18 Sec. 9. (1) A licensed pawnbroker may charge on any loan a
- 19 rate of interest that does not exceed 3%—5% per month and is not
- 20 required to accept any interest less than 50 cents on a single
- 21 loan. A pawnbroker may also charge \$3.00 per month or fraction of a
- 22 month for the storage of unencumbered personal property under any
- 23 single pledge or pawn.
- 24 (2) A pawnbroker or the pawnbroker's agent or employee shall
- 25 not charge or receive interest on a loan that exceeds the amounts
- 26 established in this act.
- 27 (3) Interest on a loan is not payable in advance and shall
- 28 must be computed on unpaid monthly balances without compounding.
- 29 (4) A pawnbroker is not entitled to any examination fee and

- 1 shall not make any charge that exceeds the amounts established in
- 2 this act.
- 3 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
- 4 unless House Bill No. 4115 (request no. H01859'25) of the 103rd
- 5 Legislature is enacted into law.