HOUSE BILL NO. 4243

March 18, 2025, Introduced by Reps. Coffia, MacDonell, Longjohn, Price, Byrnes, Xiong, Morgan, Foreman, Rheingans, Glanville, Conlin and Roth and referred to Committee on Government Operations.

A bill to amend 2011 PA 152, entitled "Publicly funded health insurance contribution act," by amending section 2 (MCL 15.562), as amended by 2013 PA 269.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 2. As used in this act:
- 2 (a) "Designated state official" means:
- ${f 3}$ (i) For an election affecting employees and officers in the
- 4 judicial branch of state government, the state court administrator.

- 1 (ii) For an election affecting senate employees and officers, 2 the secretary of the senate.
- $\mathbf{3}$ (iii) For an election affecting house of representatives
- 4 employees and officers, the clerk of the house.
- $\mathbf{5}$ (iv) For an election affecting legislative council employees,
- 6 the legislative council.
- 7 (v) For an election affecting employees in the state
- 8 classified service, the civil service commission.
- $\mathbf{9}$ (vi) For an election affecting executive branch employees who
- 10 are not in the state classified service, the state employer.
- 11 (b) "Flexible spending account" means a medical expense
- 12 flexible spending account in conjunction with a cafeteria plan as
- 13 permitted under the federal internal revenue code of 1986, 26 USC 1
- 14 to 9834.
- 15 (c) "Health savings account" means an account as permitted
- 16 under section 223 of the internal revenue code of 1986, 26 USC 223.
- 17 (d) "Local unit of government" means a any of the following:
- 18 (i) A city, village, township, or county. , a
- 19 (ii) A municipal electric utility system as that term is
- 20 defined in section 4 of the Michigan energy employment act of 1976,
- 21 1976 PA 448, MCL 460.804. , an
- 22 (iii) An authority created under chapter VIA of the aeronautics
- 23 code of the state of Michigan, 1945 PA 327, MCL 259.108 to
- 24 259.125c. , or an
- 25 (iv) An authority created under chapter VIIA of the aeronautics
- 26 code of the state of Michigan, 1945 PA 327, MCL 259.137 to 259.149.
- **27** (v) **An** authority created under 1939 PA 147, MCL 119.51 to
- **28** 119.62.
- (e) "Medical benefit plan" means a plan established and

- 1 maintained by a carrier, a voluntary employees' beneficiary
- 2 association described in section 501(c)(9) of the internal revenue
- 3 code of 1986, 26 USC 501, or by 1 or more public employers, that
- 4 provides for the payment of medical benefits, including, but not
- 5 limited to, hospital and physician services, prescription drugs,
- 6 and related benefits, for public employees or elected public
- 7 officials. Medical benefit plan does not include benefits provided
- 8 to individuals retired from a public employer or a public
- 9 employer's contributions to a fund used for the sole purpose of
- 10 funding health care benefits that are available to a public
- 11 employee or an elected public official only upon on retirement or
- 12 separation from service.
- 13 (f) "Medical benefit plan costs" does not include a payment by
- 14 the public employer to an employee or elected public official $\frac{in}{in}$
- 15 lieu instead of medical benefit plan coverage and, for a medical
- 16 benefit plan coverage year beginning after the later of January 1,
- 17 2014, or the effective date of the amendatory act that added this
- 18 subdivision, includes, but is not limited to, all of the following:
- 19 (i) Any amount that the public employer pays directly or
- 20 indirectly for the assessment levied pursuant to the health
- 21 insurance claims assessment act, under former 2011 PA 142, MCL
- 22 550.1731 to 550.1741.or the assessment levied under the insurance
- 23 provider assessment act, 2018 PA 175, MCL 550.1751 to 550.1767.
- (ii) Insurance agent or company commissions.
- 25 (iii) Any additional amount the public employer is required to
- 26 pay as a fee or tax under the patient protection and affordable
- 27 care act, Public Law 111-148, as amended by the federal health care
- 28 and education reconciliation act of 2010, Public Law 111-152.
- 29 (g) "Medical benefit plan coverage year" means the 12-month

- period after the effective date of the contractual or self-insured 1
- 2 medical coverage plan that a public employer provides to its
- employees or public officials. 3
- 4 (h) "Public employer" means this any of the following:
- 5 (i) This state. ; a
- 6 (ii) A local unit of government or other political subdivision 7 of this state. ; any
- (iii) Any intergovernmental, metropolitan, or local department, 8
- 9 agency, or authority, or other local political subdivision. ; a (iv) A school district, a public school academy, or an
- intermediate school district, as those terms are defined in 11
- 12 sections 4 to 6 of the revised school code, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.4
- 13 to 380.6. ; a

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- 14 (v) A community college or junior college described in section
- 15 7 of article VIII of the state constitution of 1963. ; or an
- 16 (vi) An institution of higher education described in section 4
- of article VIII of the state constitution of 1963. 17