HOUSE BILL NO. 4489

May 13, 2025, Introduced by Reps. Pavlov, Johnsen, Alexander, Greene, Woolford, Markkanen, Thompson, DeSana, Kunse, Bierlein, Linting and DeBoyer and referred to Committee on Government Operations.

A bill to amend 2000 PA 489, entitled "Michigan trust fund act,"

by amending section 4 (MCL 12.254), as added by 2021 PA 137.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 4. (1) The strategic outreach and attraction reserve fund 2 is created in the department of labor and economic opportunity.
- 3 (2) The state treasurer shall deposit money and other assets
 4 received from state appropriations or from any other source in the
 5 strategic outreach and attraction reserve fund. The state treasurer
- 6 shall direct the investment of money in the strategic outreach and

- 1 attraction reserve fund and interest and earnings from the
- 2 investments must be deposited in the strategic outreach and
- 3 attraction reserve fund. Money in the strategic outreach and
- 4 attraction reserve fund that is restricted, obligated, or committed
- 5 at the close of the fiscal year must remain remains in the
- 6 strategic outreach and attraction reserve fund and does not lapse
- 7 to the general fund.
- 8 (3) The department of labor and economic opportunity is the
- 9 administrator of the strategic outreach and attraction reserve fund
- 10 for audits of the strategic outreach and attraction reserve fund.
- 11 (4) Money must only be expended from the strategic outreach
- 12 and attraction reserve fund pursuant to if all of the following
- 13 apply:
- 14 (a) The expenditure is made in accordance with an
- 15 appropriation authorized by law or by a legislative transfer under
- 16 section 393(2) of the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL
- 17 18.1393, for either of the following purposes:
- 18 (i) (a) For the critical industry program created in section
- 19 88s of the Michigan strategic fund act, 1984 PA 270, MCL 125.2088s.
- 20 (ii) (b)—For the Michigan strategic site readiness program
- 21 created in section 88t of the Michigan strategic fund act, 1984 PA
- 22 270, MCL 125.2088t.
- 23 (b) The recipient of the expenditure only uses hiring
- 24 practices based on the merit of prospective employees.
- 25 (c) The recipient of the expenditure only uses internal
- 26 promotional schemes based on the merit of employees.
- 27 (5) Not later than March 15 of each year, the department of
- 28 labor and economic opportunity shall transmit to each member of the
- 29 legislature, the governor, the clerk of the house of

- 1 representatives, the secretary of the senate, and the senate and
- 2 house fiscal agencies a report on the activities of the strategic
- 3 outreach and attraction reserve fund.
- 4 (6) As used in this section, "merit" means a reasonable
- 5 expectation, based on objective criteria such as experience,
- 6 education, and training, that a prospective employee or an
- 7 employee, as applicable, can adequately perform the duties of the
- 8 job.