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> SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 4573

A bill to amend 1966 PA 331, entitled "Community college act of 1966,"

by amending sections 161, 162, and 164 (MCL 389.161, 389.162, and 389.164), sections 161 and 162 as amended by 2015 PA 130 and section 164 as amended by 2018 PA 376.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

**1** Sec. 161. As used in this chapter:

2 (a) "Agreement" means a written agreement between an employer
3 and a community college district concerning a project and any
4 amendments to that agreement.

5 (b) "Bond" or "bonds" means bonds, notes, or other debt issued6 by a community college district under this chapter.

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(c) "Employer" means a person that is engaged in business and

1 has employees in this state.

2 (d) "New job" means a full-time job in this state that meets3 all of the following:

4 (i) Except as provided in subparagraph (ii) or (iii), is a new,
5 existing, or expanding business of an employer.

6 (ii) Is not a job of a recalled worker, a replacement job, or
7 any other job that existed in the employer's business within the 18 year period preceding the date of an agreement.

9 (iii) Is not a job that is part of an employer's business operation located in a municipality in this state, if that job 10 11 existed in a business operation or a substantially similar business 12 operation of the employer formerly located in another municipality 13 in this state, the employer moved that business operation or 14 substantially similar business operation to its current location, 15 and the employer closed or substantially reduced that former 16 business operation or substantially similar business operation.

17 (*iv*) Results in a net increase in employment in this state for18 that employer.

19 (v) The wage paid for the job at the time of the contract is 20 equal to or exceeds 175% of the state minimum wage.at least the 21 county ALICE rate. As used in this subdivision, "county ALICE rate" 22 means an amount equal to the minimum hourly wage rate necessary to 23 pay the minimal estimate of the total household essentials for a 24 household of 1 adult and 1 child in the county in which a job is primarily performed, based on the most recent household survival 25 26 budget data provided by United for ALICE at unitedforalice.org. 27 (e) "New jobs credit from withholding" means the credit 28 described in section 163.

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(f) "New jobs training program" or "program" means the project

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or projects established by a community college district for the
 creation of jobs by providing education and training or retraining
 of workers for new jobs.

4 (g) "Program costs" means all necessary and incidental costs5 of providing program services.

6 (h) "Program services" includes, but is not limited to, any of7 the following:

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(*i*) Training or retraining for new jobs.

9 (*ii*) Adult basic education and job-related instruction.

10 (*iii*) Developmental, readiness, and remedial education.

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12 (v) Training facilities, equipment, materials, and supplies.

13 (vi) Administrative expenses for the new jobs training program.

(iv) Vocational and skill-assessment services and testing.

14 (vii) Subcontracted services with public universities and
15 colleges in this state, private colleges or universities, or any
16 federal, state, or local departments or agencies.

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(viii) Contracted or professional services.

18 (i) "Project" means a training arrangement that is the subject
19 of an agreement entered into between the community college district
20 and an employer to provide program services.

(j) "State minimum wage" means the minimum hourly wage rate in
effect as of the date the employer and the community college
district enter into the agreement to establish the project under
former 1964 PA 154 or under the workforce opportunity wage act,
2014 PA 138, MCL 408.411 to 408.424, as applicable.

Sec. 162. (1) A community college district may enter into an agreement to establish a project with an employer engaged in business activities anywhere in the state. An agreement shall must meet section 163 and all of the following:

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(a) Shall Must provide for program costs that may be paid from
 a new jobs credit from withholding, to be received or derived from
 new employment resulting from the project, or from tuition, student
 fees, or special charges fixed by the board of trustees to defray
 program costs in whole or in part.

6 (b) Shall Must contain an estimate of the number of new jobs
7 to be created by the employer.

8 (c) Shall Must include a provision that fixes, on a quarterly
9 basis, the minimum amount of new jobs credit from withholding to be
10 paid for program costs.

(d) Shall Must provide that if the amount received from the new jobs credit from withholding is insufficient to pay program costs, the employer agrees to provide money, at least quarterly, to make up the shortfall, so that the community college district receives for each quarter the minimum amount of new jobs credit from withholding that is provided in the agreement.

17 (e) Shall Must include the employer's agreement to mortgage,
18 assign, pledge, or place a lien on any real or personal property as
19 required by the community college district as security for its
20 obligations under the agreement.

(f) Shall Must provide for payment of an administrative fee to
the community college district in an amount equal to 15% of the
aggregate amount to be paid under the agreement.

24 (g) May contain other provisions the community college25 district considers appropriate or necessary.

(2) Any payments required to be made by an employer under an
agreement are a lien on the employer's business property, real and
personal, until paid, have equal precedence with property taxes,
and shall are not be divested by a judicial sale. Property subject

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1 to the lien established in this subsection may be sold for sums due 2 and delinquent at a tax sale, with the same forfeitures, penalties, 3 and consequences as for the nonpayment of property taxes. The 4 purchaser at tax sale obtains the property subject to the remaining 5 payments required under the agreement.

6 (3) A community college district shall file a copy of an
7 agreement with the department of treasury promptly after its
8 execution.

9 (4) A community college district shall not enter into any new
10 agreements after December 31, 2023.2033.

11 Sec. 164. (1) Subject to subsection (16), by resolution of its 12 board of trustees, a community college district may authorize, issue, and sell its new jobs training revenue bonds in anticipation 13 14 of payments to be received pursuant to an agreement, subject to the 15 requirements of this chapter, to finance costs of new jobs training 16 programs and to pay costs of issuing those bonds. The bonds shall 17 must be payable in the manner and on the terms and conditions 18 determined, or within the parameters specified, by the board in the 19 resolution authorizing issuance of the bonds. The resolution 20 authorizing the bonds shall create creates a lien on the receipts 21 from new jobs credit from withholding to be received by the community college district pursuant to an agreement or agreements 22 23 that shall be is a statutory lien and shall be is a first lien 24 subject only to liens previously created. As additional security, 25 in the resolution authorizing the bonds, the board of trustees may also pledge the limited tax full faith and credit of the district 26 27 and may authorize and enter into an insurance contract, agreement for lines of credit, letter of credit, commitment to purchase 28 29 obligations, remarketing agreement, reimbursement agreement, tender

agreement, or any other transaction necessary to provide security
 to assure timely payment of any bonds.

(2) Bonds described in subsection (1) shall must be authorized 3 by resolution of the board of trustees, and shall must bear the 4 5 date or dates, and shall must mature at the time or times, not 6 exceeding 20 years from the date of issue, provided in the 7 resolution. The bonds shall must bear interest at the rate or 8 rates, fixed or variable or a combination of fixed and variable, be 9 in the denominations, be in the form, either coupon or registered, 10 carry the registration privileges, be executed in the manner, be 11 payable in the medium of payment and at the place or places, and be 12 subject to the terms of redemption provided in the resolution or resolutions. The bonds of the community college district may be 13 14 sold at a competitive or negotiated sale at par, premium, or 15 discount as determined in the authorizing resolution.

16 (3) A community college district may issue bonds described in 17 subsection (1) with respect to a single project or multiple 18 projects as determined by the board of trustees in the resolution 19 authorizing the issuance of the bonds. The board of trustees may 20 determine to sell the bonds in conjunction with the sale of bonds 21 by another community college district.

(4) Any resolution authorizing any bonds under this section,
or any issue of bonds of those bonds, may contain provisions
concerning any of the following, and those provisions are part of
the contract with the holders of the bonds:

(a) Pledging all or any part of any fees or available funds of
the community college district, or other money received or to be
received, to secure the payment of the bonds or of any issue of
bonds, and subject to any agreements with bondholders as may then

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1 exist.

(b) Pledging all or any part of the assets of the community
college district, including mortgages and obligations securing the
assets, to secure the payment of the bonds or of any issue of
bonds, subject to any agreements with bondholders as may then
exist.

7 (c) The setting aside of reserves or sinking funds and the8 regulation and disposition of reserves or sinking funds.

9 (d) Limitations on the purpose to which the proceeds of sale
10 of bonds may be applied and pledging the proceeds to secure the
11 payment of the bonds or of any issue of bonds.

12 (e) Limitations on the issuance of additional bonds; the terms13 on which additional bonds may be issued and secured; and the14 refunding of outstanding or other bonds.

(f) The procedure, if any, by which the terms of any contract with bondholders may be amended or abrogated, the amount of bonds the holders of which must consent to the amendment or abrogation, and the manner in which bondholders may give that consent.

(g) Vesting in a trustee or trustees the property, rights,
powers, and duties in trust determined by the board of trustees of
the community college district.

(h) Any other matters that in any way affect the security orprotection of the bonds.

(i) Delegating to an officer or other employee of the
community college district, or an agent designated by the community
college district, the power to cause the issue, sale, and delivery
of the bonds within limits on those bonds established by the
community college district concerning any of the following:

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(i) The form of the bonds.

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(ii) The maximum interest rate or rates of the bonds.

2 (*iii*) The maturity date or dates of the bonds.

3 (*iv*) The purchase price of the bonds.

4 (v) The denominations of the bonds.

5 (vi) The redemption premiums of the bonds.

6 (vii) The nature of the security for the bonds.

7 (viii) Any other terms and conditions concerning issuance of the
8 bonds prescribed by the board of trustees of the community college
9 district.

10 (5) All of the following apply to any pledge of money or other 11 assets made by a community college district to secure any bonds or 12 issue of bonds under this section:

13 (a) The pledge is valid and binding from the time when the14 pledge is made.

15 (b) The money or other assets pledged are immediately subject
16 to the lien of the pledge when received, without any physical
17 delivery of the money or assets or any further act.

(c) The lien of the pledge is valid and binding as against all
parties having claims of any kind, in tort, contract, or otherwise,
against the community college district, whether or not those
parties have notice of the lien.

(d) The community college district is not required to recordthe resolution or any other instrument creating the pledge.

(6) The board of trustees of a community college district and
any person executing bonds subject to this section are not
personally liable on the bonds or subject to any personal liability
or accountability by reason of the issuance of the bonds.

28 (7) A community college district issuing bonds under this29 section may purchase bonds of the community college district out of

1 any funds available for that purpose, subject to any agreements
2 with bondholders in effect at that time. Unless the board of the
3 community college district determines by resolution that the
4 payment of a higher price is in the best interests of the community
5 college district, the community college shall not purchase those
6 bonds at a price that exceeds 1 of the following, as applicable:

7 (a) If the bonds are redeemable at the time of purchase, the
8 redemption price applicable at that time plus accrued interest to
9 the next interest payment date on the bonds.

10 (b) If the bonds are not redeemable at the time of purchase, 11 the redemption price applicable on the first date after the 12 purchase on which the bonds are redeemable, plus accrued interest 13 to that date.

14 (8) Bonds issued under this section are not subject to the
15 revised municipal finance act, 2001 PA 34, MCL 141.2101 to
16 141.2821, except that bonds issued under this section are subject
17 to the maximum rate permitted under section 305 of the revised
18 municipal finance act, 2001 PA 34, MCL 141.2305.

19 (9) The issuance of bonds under this section is subject to the
20 agency financing reporting act, 2002 PA 470, MCL 129.171 to
21 129.177.

(10) Bonds issued under this section shall must not be considered to be within any limitation of outstanding debt limit applicable to the community college district, including any limitation contained in section 122, but shall must be considered as authorized in addition to any limitation of outstanding debt limit applicable to the community college district.

28 (11) By resolution of its board of trustees, a community29 college district may refund all or any part of its outstanding

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bonds issued under this section by issuing refunding bonds. A
 community college district may issue refunding bonds whether the
 outstanding bonds to be refunded have or have not matured, are or
 are not redeemable on the date of issuance of the refunding bonds,
 or are or are not subject to redemption before maturity.

6 (12) A community college district may issue refunding bonds
7 under subsection (11) in a principal amount greater than the
8 principal amount of the outstanding bonds to be refunded if
9 necessary to effect the refunding under the refunding plan.

10 (13) A community college district may use the proceeds of 11 refunding bonds issued under subsection (11) to pay interest accrued, or to accrue, to the earliest or any subsequent date of 12 redemption, purchase, or maturity of the outstanding bonds to be 13 14 refunded, redemption premium, if any, and any commission, service 15 fee, and other expense necessary to be paid in connection with the 16 outstanding bonds to be refunded. A community college district may 17 also use the proceeds of refunding bonds to pay part of the cost of 18 issuance of the refunding bonds, interest on the refunding bonds, a reserve for the payment of principal, interest, and redemption 19 20 premiums on the refunding bonds, and other necessary incidental expenses, including, but not limited to, placement fees and fees or 21 charges for insurance, letters of credit, lines of credit, or 22 23 commitments to purchase the outstanding bonds to be refunded.

(14) A community college district may apply the proceeds of
refunding bonds issued under subsection (11) and other available
money to payment of the principal, interest, or redemption
premiums, if any, on the refunded outstanding bonds at maturity or
on any prior redemption date or may deposit the proceeds or other
money in trust to use to purchase and deposit in trust direct

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obligations of the United States, direct noncallable and 1 2 nonprepayable obligations that are unconditionally guaranteed by 3 the United States government as to full and timely payment of principal and interest, noncallable and nonprepayable coupons from 4 5 those obligations that are stripped pursuant to United States 6 Treasury programs, and resolution funding corporation bonds and 7 strips, the principal and interest on which when due, together with 8 other available money, will provide funds sufficient to pay 9 principal, interest, and redemption premiums, if any, on the 10 refunded outstanding bonds as the refunded outstanding bonds become due, whether by maturity or on a prior redemption date, as provided 11 in the authorizing resolution. 12

(15) A community college district is authorized to pay all or part of the costs of new jobs training programs out of funds of the community college district, including self-funding methods. The use of funds of the community college district and self-funding methods to pay the costs of new jobs training programs shall must be considered an authorized expenditure of public funds and shall must not be construed as an investment.

20 (16) A community college district shall not authorize, issue,
21 or sell any new jobs training revenue bonds after December 31,
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