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Ladies and Gentlemen:

Today I am returning to you unsigned Senate Bill 1249.

The bill would have amended the Code of Criminal Procedure to provide that an indictment for a violation of the Michigan Campaign Finance Act could be found and filed up to five years after the offense was committed.

The Code of Criminal Procedure currently provides that except as provided for specific offenses an indictment may be filed within six years after a crime is committed. Shortening the statute of limitations for a campaign finance violation from six years to five years results in minimal to no functional change.

Accordingly, I am returning this bill without signature.

Sincerely,

Rick Snyder
Governor