SUBSTITUTE FOR

HOUSE BILL NO. 5103

A bill to prohibit aggressive solicitation; and to provide for remedies and penalties.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the
- 2 "aggressive solicitation prohibition act".
- 3 Sec. 3. As used in this act:
- 4 (a) "Public area" means an area that is owned by a
- 5 governmental entity and the public or a substantial group of
- 6 persons has access to and includes, but is not limited to, alleys,
- 7 bridges, buildings, driveways, parking lots, parks, playgrounds,
- 8 plazas, sidewalks and streets open to the general public, and
- 9 doorways and entrances to buildings and dwellings.
- 10 (b) "Solicit" means using any means of communication,
- 11 including, but not limited to, spoken or written word, to request a

- 1 donation or exchange of money or any other thing of value
- 2 regardless of the purpose or intended use of the money or other
- 3 thing of value.
- 4 Sec. 5. A person shall not solicit another person in a public
- 5 area by doing any of the following:
- 6 (a) Intentionally and knowingly, or recklessly, making
- 7 physical contact with or touching another person without that
- 8 person's consent.
- 9 (b) Approaching or following a person in a manner that is
- 10 intended to cause bodily harm.
- 11 (c) Continuing to solicit a person after the person being
- 12 solicited has communicated that he or she does not want to be
- 13 solicited.
- 14 (d) Intentionally and knowingly, or recklessly, obstructing
- 15 the safe or free passage of a person being solicited.
- 16 Sec. 7. A person who violates this act is responsible for a
- 17 state civil infraction and is subject to a fine of not more than
- **18** \$100.00.
- 19 Sec. 9. This act does not prohibit a person from being charged
- 20 with, convicted of, or punished for any other violation of law,
- 21 including a violation of law arising out of the same transaction as
- 22 the violation of this act.
- Sec. 11. This act does not prohibit a county, city, township,
- 24 or village from adopting an ordinance or enforcing an existing
- 25 ordinance relating to aggressive solicitation.
- 26 Enacting section 1. This act takes effect 90 days after the
- 27 date it is enacted into law.

- Enacting section 2. This act does not take effect unless House 1
- Bill No. 5104 of the 98th Legislature is enacted into law. 2