

# SENATE BILL No. 949

June 30, 1988, Introduced by Senators V. SMITH and ARTHURHULTZ  
and referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

A bill to impose certain duties on public bodies relating to  
paper size for documents and supplies.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1       Sec. 1. As used in this act:

2       (a) "Document" means a record, form, or other formal paper.

3       (b) "Public body" means all of the following:

4       (i) A state officer, employee, agency, department, division,  
5 bureau, board, commission, council, authority, or other body in  
6 the executive branch of state government.

7       (ii) An agency, board, commission, council, or committee in  
8 the legislative branch of state government.

9       (iii) A county, city, township, village, intergovernmental,  
10 or regional governing body, a council, school district, special  
11 district, or municipal corporation, or a board, department,  
12 commission, council, or agency of that body.

1 (iv) Another body that is created by state or local  
2 authority or that is primarily funded by or through state or  
3 local authority.

4 (v) A law enforcement agency.

5 (vi) The judiciary.

6 (c) "Standard letter size" means 8-1/2 inches by 11 inches,  
7 within standard paper manufacturing tolerances.

8 Sec. 2. Except as permitted in section 4 or 5, a public  
9 body shall not make, use, or accept a paper document that is  
10 larger than standard letter size.

11 Sec. 3. Except as permitted in section 4 or 5, a public  
12 body shall not purchase a form, bond paper, stationery, pad, or  
13 similar paper supply that is larger than standard letter size.

14 Sec. 4. Section 2 or 3 does not apply to any of the follow-  
15 ing items:

16 (a) A paper document otherwise required by law to be of a  
17 different size.

18 (b) An engineering drawing, architectural drawing, map,  
19 graph, poster, chart, or artwork.

20 (c) A computer-generated printout that cannot be made to  
21 conform with standard letter size or that does not affect files  
22 for standard letter size paper documents.

23 (d) Output from test measurement and diagnostic equipment.

24 (e) Machine-generated paper tapes.

25 Sec. 5. For 18 months after the effective date of this act,  
26 a public body may use or accept a paper document that is larger  
27 than standard letter size.