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<a href="#">PA 1</a>	<i>Appropriations</i>	Supplemental appropriations for FY 2023 that includes funding to help local communities with housing, blight elimination and economic development.	<i>Effective Jan. 31, 2023</i>
<a href="#">PA 2</a>	<i>Elections</i>	Moves the President Primary to the fourth Tuesday in February (Feb. 27 for the 2024 election) from the second Tuesday in March.	<i>Effective Feb. 13, 2024</i>
<a href="#">PA 5</a>	<i>Appropriations</i>	Supplemental appropriations for FY 2023 that includes funding for affordable housing programs and grants for community centers.	<i>Effective March 8, 2023</i>
<a href="#">PA 6</a>	<i>Civil Rights</i>	Expands Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights Act to prohibit discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity or expression in employment, public accommodations, public services and housing.	<i>Effective Feb. 13, 2024</i>
<a href="#">PA 9</a>	<i>Labor / Collective Bargaining</i>	Removes the “right to work” provision for public employees and allows requirement for agency fee for nonunion members in bargaining agreements and as condition of employment in public sector.	<i>Effective Feb. 13, 2024</i>
<a href="#">PA 10</a>	<i>Labor</i>	Reenacts prevailing wage for state construction projects.	<i>Effective Feb. 13, 2024</i>
<a href="#">PA 25</a>	<i>Elections</i>	Provides tabulating absent voter ballots received up to six days after an election from an absent uniformed services voter or overseas voter.	<i>Effective May 1, 2023</i>
<a href="#">PAs 39, 40 &amp; 41</a>	<i>Traffic Control</i>	Enhances penalties for operating a vehicle while sending or receiving a message on an electronic wireless device.	<i>Effective June 30, 2023</i>
<a href="#">PAs 43 &amp; 44</a>	<i>Law Enforcement</i>	Allows agreements requiring reimbursement for law enforcement agencies that fund police training for recruits in certain situations.	<i>Effective June 13, 2023</i>
<a href="#">PA 46</a>	<i>Child Protection</i>	Requires distribution of training package to individuals designated as mandatory reporters for child abuse or child neglect.	<i>Effective Sept. 27, 2023</i>
<a href="#">PA 49</a>	<i>Crimes</i>	Prohibits use of position of authority to prevent reporting of a crime.	<i>Effective Sept. 27, 2023</i>
<a href="#">PA 52</a>	<i>Land Bank Authority</i>	Expands the definition of "qualified city" to include cities and townships with a population of 50,000 or more, if that city or township is not located in a county that already had a county land bank authority.	<i>Effective Feb. 13, 2024</i>
<a href="#">PA 56</a>	<i>Law Enforcement</i>	Modifies definition of a peace officer in the mental health code.	<i>Effective July 12, 2023</i>
<a href="#">PA 64</a>	<i>Public Records</i>	Exempts identity of parties proceeding anonymously in civil actions alleging sexual misconduct from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act.	<i>Effective July 12, 2023</i>



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<a href="#">PAs 66 &amp; 67</a>	<i>Railroad Crossings</i>	Creates the local grade separation grant program and fund and provides for priorities for local grade separation.	<i>Effective July 12, 2023</i>
<a href="#">PA 81</a>	<i>Elections</i>	Provides for and clarifies early voting procedures for nine days of early voting, establishes procedures for tabulating ballots at early voting sites and provides for preprocessing of absent voter ballots.	<i>Effective Feb. 13, 2024</i>
<a href="#">PA 82</a>	<i>Elections</i>	Provides signature matching and curing for absent voter ballot applications and absent voter ballot return envelopes and provides for modifications to the absent voter ballot application and process.	<i>Effective Feb. 13, 2024</i>
<a href="#">PA 83</a>	<i>Elections</i>	Provides sentencing guidelines for certain early voting violations.	<i>Effective Feb. 13, 2024</i>
<a href="#">PA 84</a>	<i>Elections</i>	Modifies requirements for absent voter ballot drop boxes.	<i>Effective Feb. 13, 2024</i>
<a href="#">PA 87</a>	<i>Elections</i>	Expands definition of identification for election purposes.	<i>Effective Feb. 13, 2024</i>
<a href="#">PA 89</a>	<i>Brownfield Redevelopment</i>	Modifies tax capture revenues for brownfield redevelopment authorities.	<i>Effective July 19, 2023</i>
<a href="#">PAs 90 – 93</a>	<i>Brownfield Redevelopment</i>	Allows use of brownfield redevelopment authority for certain housing activities and updates references in the act.	<i>Effective July 19, 2023</i>
<a href="#">PA 104</a>	<i>Administrative Procedure</i>	Eliminates prohibition on adoption of rules by state agencies from being more stringent than federal regulations.	<i>Effective Feb. 13, 2024</i>
<a href="#">PA 105</a>	<i>Energy Assistance Program</i>	Eliminates the sunset on the Michigan energy assistance program.	<i>Effective July 27, 2023</i>
<a href="#">PAs 106 &amp; 107</a>	<i>Clean Energy</i>	Expands the scope of the Property Assessed Clean Energy Act to allow a local unit of government to contract and finance for an environmental hazard project and allow it to do so with new construction projects and multifamily property in its jurisdiction.	<i>Effective Feb. 13, 2024</i>
<a href="#">PAs 108 &amp; 109</a>	<i>Property Taxes</i>	Provides for payment in lieu of taxes for certain renewable energy facilities.	<i>Effective July 27, 2023</i>
<a href="#">PA 113</a>	<i>Labor</i>	Repeals provisions of the Public Employment Relations Act to eliminate the requirement that wages and benefit levels be “frozen” during contract negotiations.	<i>Effective Feb. 13, 2024</i>
<a href="#">PA 115</a>	<i>Labor</i>	Deletes prohibitions against certain subjects being included in a collective bargaining agreement and subjects intergovernmental agreements to collective bargaining agreements.	<i>Effective Feb. 13, 2024</i>



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<a href="#">PA 119</a>	<i>Appropriations</i>	Provides appropriations for multiple departments, grants and revenue sharing for FY 2024 and makes supplemental appropriations for FY 2023.	<i>Effective Aug. 1, 2023</i>
<a href="#">PA 140</a>	<i>Environmental Protection</i>	Extends the sunset for certain fees and increase those fees collected by the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy.	<i>Effective Sept. 29, 2023</i>
<a href="#">PA 149</a>	<i>Traffic Control</i>	Provides designation of high-occupancy vehicle lanes by agency having jurisdiction over the highway.	<i>Effective Oct. 10, 2023</i>
<a href="#">PA 150</a>	<i>Disabled Veterans' Property Tax</i>	Provides that a disabled veteran or their surviving spouse only need to file an application for the Disabled Veterans Property Tax Exemption once, rather than refiling every year and provides proration methods if the individual did not own and use the property as a homestead for the entire tax year.	<i>Effective Oct. 19, 2023</i>
<a href="#">PA 151</a>	<i>Disabled Veterans' Property Tax</i>	Establishes procedures for rescission of a disabled veterans' property tax exemption and for local assessors to audit and deny claims for an exemption.	<i>Effective Oct. 19, 2023</i>
<a href="#">PA 152</a>	<i>Disabled Veterans' Property Tax</i>	Allows the denial of a disabled veteran's property tax exemption for the surviving spouse of a disabled veteran by a board of review during the 2023 tax year to be among the qualified errors that can be corrected upon appeal to a board of review.	<i>Effective Oct. 19, 2023</i>
<a href="#">PAs 156 – 160</a>	<i>Health Insurance</i>	Adds various health insurance requirements and protections for insured individuals by codifying the Affordable Care Act provisions.	<i>Effective Feb. 13, 2024</i>
<a href="#">PAs 165 &amp; 166</a>	<i>Marijuana</i>	Allows marijuana regulatory agency to contract with Indian tribes and allocates the tax revenue to Indian tribes.	<i>Effective Oct. 19, 2023</i>
<a href="#">PAs 174 &amp; 175</a>	<i>Local Government Reimbursement Fund</i>	Creates the Local Government Reimbursement Fund and provides for the deposit of use tax revenue in the fund to reimburse municipalities for the increase in the small business personal property tax exemption.	<i>Effective Oct. 24, 2023</i>
<a href="#">PA 176</a>	<i>Property Tax</i>	Modifies application process for small business property tax exemption.	<i>Effective Dec. 31, 2023</i>
<a href="#">PA 184</a>	<i>Elections</i>	Removes certain references to challenged ballots.	<i>Effective Feb. 13, 2024</i>
<a href="#">PA 185</a>	<i>Elections</i>	Eliminates prohibition on the hiring of transportation assistance to the polls.	<i>Effective Feb. 13, 2024</i>
<a href="#">PA 191</a>	<i>Property Tax</i>	Provides retroactive application of poverty exemption.	<i>Effective Nov. 7, 2023</i>
<a href="#">PA 193</a>	<i>Elections</i>	Amends the start date of electronic return of absent voter ballots by uniformed services voters.	<i>Effective Feb. 13, 2024</i>



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<a href="#">PA 210</a>	<i>Law Enforcement</i>	Includes the definition of peace officer in the ORV laws.	<i>Effective Feb. 13, 2024</i>
<a href="#">PA 211</a>	<i>Property Taxes</i>	Provides a process, for the 2021 tax year only, to file for a late-qualifying eligible manufacturing personal property exemption from property taxes if the owner did not qualify because the applicable paperwork was not properly filed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.	<i>Effective Feb. 13, 2024</i>
<a href="#">PA 212</a>	<i>Traffic Control</i>	Eliminates the sunset on certain default speed limits.	<i>Effective Nov. 22, 2023</i>
<a href="#">PA 213</a>	<i>Housing</i>	Requires a local enforcing agency to provide written violation notification to an occupant of a serious and imminent hazard to health or safety.	<i>Effective Feb. 13, 2024</i>
<a href="#">PA 214</a>	<i>Open Meetings</i>	Allows municipal public employee retirement boards meetings subject to OMA to be conducted remotely.	<i>Effective Feb. 13, 2024</i>
<a href="#">PA 215</a>	<i>Holiday Designation</i>	Designates “Juneteenth” as a holiday.	<i>Effective Feb. 13, 2024</i>
<a href="#">PA 218</a>	<i>Property Assessments</i>	Modifies assessment of property in alternate location on tax day.	<i>Effective Nov. 22, 2023</i>
<a href="#">PAs 226 &amp; 227</a>	<i>Precinct Boundaries</i>	– Modifies and allows increase in precinct size to 4,999 active registered voters.	<i>Effective Nov. 22, 2023</i>
<a href="#">PA 228</a>	<i>Opioid</i>	Prohibits civil actions against certain opioid litigation settlement defendants.	<i>Effective Nov. 22, 2023</i>
<a href="#">PA 230</a>	<i>Land Use</i>	Codifies current policy to allow farmland enrolled in PA 116 a deferment period for use for commercial solar facilities.	<i>Effective Feb. 13, 2024</i>
<a href="#">PAs 233 &amp; 234</a>	<i>Local Preemption</i>	Preempts local zoning authority and authorizes MPSC certification for large-scale renewable energy facilities and amends the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act to subject a zoning ordinance to Part 8 of the Clean and Renewable Energy and Waste Reduction Act.	<i>PA 233 effective Nov. 29, 2024; PA 234 effective Feb. 13, 2024</i>
<a href="#">PA 236</a>	<i>Collective Bargaining</i>	Requires public employers to provide bargaining representatives with public employee contact information.	<i>Effective Feb. 13, 2024</i>
<a href="#">PA 243</a>	<i>Campaign Donations</i>	Removes statutory provision prohibiting public bodies from administering payroll deduction plans for political contributions.	<i>Effective Feb. 13, 2024</i>
<a href="#">PA 244</a>	<i>Campaign Finance</i>	Allows use of public resources to establish or administer automatic payroll deductions for political committees.	<i>Effective Feb. 13, 2024</i>



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<a href="#">PA 248</a>	Road Agencies	Allows county road agencies to enter into an agreement with a non-adjacent county or the Michigan Department of Transportation to perform roadway work and purchase machinery and equipment.	Effective Feb. 13, 2024
<a href="#">PA 251</a>	Elections	Allows electronic submission of precinct election inspector applications	Effective Feb. 13, 2024
<a href="#">PAs 252 &amp; 253</a>	Elections	Prohibits intimidating an election official or preventing an election official from performing their duties and provides sentencing guidelines for said violations.	Effective Feb. 13, 2024
<a href="#">PA 257</a>	Voter Registration	Modifies online voter registration process to allow an individual to register to vote through the electronic voter registration interface by providing the last four digits of the applicant's Social Security number and other identifying information if they do not have a state ID or driver's license.	Effective June 30, 2025
<a href="#">PA 258</a>	Voter Registration	Provides for preregistration to vote at age 16.	Effective Feb. 13, 2024
<a href="#">PA 259</a>	Elections	Clarifies early voting procedures and the appointment of election inspectors to early voting sites.	Effective Feb. 13, 2024
<a href="#">PAs 260 – 262</a>	Voter Registration	Clarifies the option to decline voter registration on a driver license, state identification card and enhanced driver license applications.	Effective June 30, 2025
<a href="#">PAs 263 – 266</a>	Campaign	Requires disclosure for using artificial intelligence in certain political advertisements and provides penalties and sentencing guidelines for distributing materially deceptive media.	Effective Feb. 13, 2024
<a href="#">PA 268</a>	Voter Registration	Modifies automatic voter registration.	Effective June 30, 2025
<a href="#">PA 270</a>	Elections	Codifies online application for absent voter ballots.	Effective Feb. 13, 2024
<a href="#">PAs 277 &amp; 278</a>	Malicious Destruction	Creates crime of institutional desecration and provides sentencing guidelines. ☒	Effective Feb. 13, 2024