

SENATE BILL No. 239

March 9, 1989, Introduced by Senator V. SMITH and referred to the Committee on State Affairs, Tourism, and Transportation.

A bill to impose certain duties on public bodies relating to the size of documents and paper 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 original or
3 official paper.

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

5 (i) The executive branch of government or a state officer,
6 employee, agency, department, division, bureau, board, commis-
7 sion, council, authority, or other body in the executive branch
8 of government.

9 (ii) The legislative branch of government or an agency,
10 board, commission, council, or committee in the legislative
11 branch of government.

1 (iii) A county, city, township, village, intergovernmental,
2 or regional governing body, a council, school district, special
3 district, or municipal corporation, or a board, department, com-
4 mission, council, or agency of that body.

5 (iv) A body that is created by state or local authority or
6 that is primarily funded by or through state or local authority.

7 (v) A law enforcement agency.

8 (vi) The judicial branch of government or an officer,
9 employee, agency, department, division, board, or other body in
10 the judicial branch of government.

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

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

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

19 Sec. 4. Sections 2 and 3 do not apply to any of the follow-
20 ing items:

21 (a) A document otherwise required by law to be of a differ-
22 ent size.

23 (b) An engineering drawing, architectural drawing, map,
24 graph, poster, chart, or artwork.

25 (c) A computer-generated printout that cannot be made to
26 conform with standard letter size or that does not affect files
27 for standard letter size documents.

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

2 (e) Machine-generated paper tapes.

3 (f) Proclamations, resolutions, and certificates of award
4 that are intended to be framed and presented to individuals or
5 other groups.

6 (g) Oversized paper stock to be used in making a document
7 that conforms to the requirements of this act.

8 Sec. 5. A public body may use or accept a document that is
9 larger than standard letter size until the expiration of 18
10 months after the effective date of this act.