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UNIFORM LAW ON NOTARIAL ACTS

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5219 AS INTRODUCED 12-10-87

The bill would create the Uniform Law on Notarial Acts, replacing the Uniform Recognition of Acknowledgements Act (MCL 565.261 to 565.270), which it would repeal. The bill is virtually identical to and has no substantive differences from the 1982 uniform law recommended by the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws. The bill would have to be applied and construed to effectuate its general purpose to make uniform the laws with respect to notarial acts among the states enacting it. It would apply to notarial acts performed on or after its effective date.

The bill would provide for the recognition and effectiveness of notarial acts performed in Michigan, in other jurisdictions within the United States, under federal authority, or under the authority of a foreign nation or a multi-national or international organization. It would list the persons recognized as authorized to perform notarial acts and would specify the determinations that must be made for various notarial acts. The bill also would include sample short forms for an acknowledgement in an individual capacity, for an acknowledgement in a representative capacity, for a verification upon oath or affirmation, for witnessing or attesting a signature, and for the attestation of a copy of a document.

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