

HOUSE BILL No. 4844

August 20, 2015, Introduced by Reps. Hughes, Inman, Lucido, Runestad, Leutheuser, Hooker, Sheppard, Glardon, Glenn, Johnson, Crawford, Franz, Yonker, Graves, Kesto, Cole, Lauwers, Brett Roberts, Garcia and Iden and referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

A bill to require departments and regulatory agencies of this state to acknowledge timely receipt of information requests submitted by mail as the postmark date; and to provide for rule-making authority.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the
2 "postmark acknowledgment act".

3 Sec. 2. As used in this act:

4 (a) "Information submission" means information required to be
5 submitted by a regulated person to a regulatory agency through use
6 of the United States Postal Service.

7 (b) "Regulated person" means an individual or legal entity
8 subject to the authority of a regulatory agency.

9 (c) "Regulatory agency" means a department, bureau, or agency

1 of this state that has statutory regulatory authority over
2 activities of an individual, business, profession, or industry.

3 Sec. 3. Except as otherwise provided for by law, a regulatory
4 agency shall accept and acknowledge the postmark date as the date
5 of receipt of an information submission made by a regulated person.

6 Sec. 4. Except as otherwise provided for by law, a regulatory
7 agency may promulgate rules or amend existing rules under the
8 administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to
9 24.328, to implement this act.

10 Sec. 5. This act takes effect 60 days after the date it is
11 enacted into law.