



MICHIGAN STRATEGIC FUND

MEMORANDUM

Date: April 1, 2026

To: Sen. Sarah Anthony, Chair, Senate Appropriations Committee
Sen. Jon Bumstead, Minority Vice Chair, Senate Appropriations Committee
Sen. Mary Cavanagh, Chair, Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on LEO/MEDC
Sen. Mark Huizenga, Minority Vice Chair, Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on LEO/MEDC
Rep. Ann Bollin, Chair, House Appropriations Committee
Rep. Nancy Jenkins-Arno, Chair, House Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor and Economic Opportunity
Rep. Jasper Martus, Minority Vice Chair, House Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor and Economic Opportunity
Rep. Doug Wozniak, Chair, Joint Committee on Administrative Rules
Rep. Gina Johnsen, Vice Chair, Joint Committee on Administrative Rules

From: Quentin L. Messer, Jr., President, Michigan Strategic Fund

Subject: CY 2025 Michigan Strategic Fund Specific Policy Change Report – Public Act 22 of 2025, Section 217

Section 217 of Public Act 22 of 2025, the FY 2026 Omnibus Budget, requires a report detailing each specific policy change made to implement a public act affecting the department that took effect during the prior calendar year. Pursuant to this requirement, attached are the policy changes that became effective during the 2025 calendar year and impact the Michigan Strategic Fund.

Please contact the MEDC Office of Legislative Affairs at medcgovrelations@michigan.org if you have any questions.

Attachment

cc: Members, Senate and House Appropriations Committees
Members, Senate and House Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor and Economic Opportunity
Members, Joint Committee on Administrative Rules
Senate and House Policy Offices
Kathryn Summers, Director, Senate Fiscal Agency
Mary Ann Cleary, Director, House Fiscal Agency
Jen Flood, Director, State Budget Office

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Bill Number	Public Act (PA) Number	Effective Date	Subject	Policy Change
SB 237	PA 181 of 2024	4/2/2025	Use tax exemptions for data centers	Signed into law by Governor Gretchen Whitmer, the new Enterprise Data Center Sales & Use Tax Exemptions
HB 4906	PA 207 of 2024	4/17/2025	Sales tax exemptions for data centers	took effect in Michigan on April 2, 2025 (use tax), and April 17, 2025 (sales tax). On August 26, 2025, the MSF Board approved guidelines for the certification of a "qualified entity" or its affiliates by the MSF/MEDC. Once certified, the qualified entity or its affiliates may file for a sales or use tax exemption with Treasury. Information can be found on MEDC's website here: https://www.michiganbusiness.org/services/data-center/ .
SB 574	PA 28 of 2025	10/7/2025	21st Century Jobs Trust Fund disbursement of funds	No policy change.
HB 4368	PA 118 of 2024	4/2/2025	Research and development tax credits	No policy change.
HB 5099	PA 117 of 2024	4/2/2025	Research and development tax credit program report	Amends the MSF Act (PA 270 of 1984) to require the MSF to assist in preparing the research and development tax credit annual report prepared by Treasury.
HB 5100	PA 186 of 2024	4/2/2025	Research and development tax credit for certain employers	No policy change.
HB 5101	PA 187 of 2024	4/2/2025	Research and development tax credit for certain small employers	No policy change.
HB 5102	PA 119 of 2024	4/2/2025	Research and development annual reporting requirement	Amends the Income Tax Act of 1967 (PA 281 of 1967) to require the MSF to assist in preparing the research and development tax credit annual report prepared by Treasury.
HB 5651	PA 188 of 2024	4/2/2025	21st Century Jobs Trust Fund modifications	Signed into law by Governor Gretchen Whitmer, the Michigan Innovation Fund legislation took effect on April 2, 2025.
HB 5652	PA 189 of 2024	4/2/2025	Michigan Innovation Fund program funding	The MSF Board approved guidelines for the Michigan Innovation Fund on April 22, 2025. Per the statute, on July 14, 2025, the MSF/MEDC awarded \$52.8M to five evergreen funds and three emerging evergreen funds to catalyze growth and investment in Michigan's entrepreneurship ecosystem. On August 26, 2025, the MSF Board approved a \$3M award to the MSU Research Foundation to support the statewide expansion of the PitchMI startup competition. On October 25, 2025, the MSF Board approved \$4.2M for the MIF Startup Support Services, following a competitive funding round and due diligence process. Grants were awarded to 13 entities supporting startups and innovation across the state. On December 10, 2025, the Michigan House of Representatives Appropriations Committee voted to reject work project spending for the \$4.2M in start-up support services that was not encumbered prior to September 15, 2025. As a result, these 13 awards have been cancelled.
HB 5653	PA 190 of 2024	4/2/2025	Creates the Michigan Innovation Fund program	
HB 6166	PA 235 of 2024	4/2/2025	Convention tourism assessment fee	Increases the assessment amount Visit Detroit can levy on rooms to pay the costs of its marketing program incrementally (from 2% to 4%) until 2031. Visit Detroit is required to file a marketing program notice with the MSF.