

# HOUSE BILL NO. 4034

January 28, 2025, Introduced by Reps. Wozniak, Johnsen, Aragona, Beson and BeGole and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend 1988 PA 418, entitled  
"Uniform statutory rule against perpetuities,"  
by amending sections 3 and 5 (MCL 554.73 and 554.75), section 5 as  
amended by 2011 PA 11.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1       Sec. 3. (1) Except as provided in subsections (2), (3), and  
2       section 6(1), the time of creation of a nonvested property interest  
3       or a power of appointment ~~shall~~**must** be determined by statutory or  
4       common law.

1       (2) For purposes of this act, if there is a person ~~who~~**that**  
 2 alone can exercise a power created by a governing instrument to  
 3 become the unqualified beneficial owner of a nonvested property  
 4 interest or a property interest subject to a power of appointment  
 5 described in section 2(2) or (3), the nonvested property interest  
 6 or power of appointment is created when the power to become the  
 7 unqualified beneficial owner terminates.

8       (3) ~~For~~**Except as provided in section 5(2), for** purposes of  
 9 this act, a nonvested property interest or a power of appointment  
 10 arising from a transfer of property to a previously funded trust or  
 11 other existing property arrangement is created when the nonvested  
 12 property interest or power of appointment in the original  
 13 contribution was created.

14       Sec. 5. (1) Section 2 does not apply to any of the following:

15       (a) A nonvested property interest or a power of appointment  
 16 arising out of a nondonative transfer, except a nonvested property  
 17 interest or a power of appointment arising out of a premarital or  
 18 postmarital agreement; a separation or divorce settlement; a  
 19 spouse's election; a similar arrangement arising out of a  
 20 prospective, existing, or previous marital relationship between the  
 21 parties; a contract to make or not to revoke a will or trust; a  
 22 contract to exercise or not to exercise a power of appointment; a  
 23 transfer in satisfaction of a duty of support; or a reciprocal  
 24 transfer.

25       (b) A fiduciary's power relating to the administration or  
 26 management of assets, including the power of a fiduciary to sell,  
 27 lease, or mortgage property, and the power of a fiduciary to  
 28 determine principal and income.

29       (c) A power to appoint a fiduciary.

(d) A discretionary power of a trustee to distribute principal before termination of a trust to a beneficiary having an indefeasibly vested interest in the income and principal.

(e) A property interest, power of appointment, or any other arrangement that was not subject to the common-law rule against perpetuities or is excluded by another statute.

(f) Except as provided in subsection (2), an interest or power of appointment to which the personal property trust perpetuities act, 2008 PA 148, MCL 554.91 to 554.94, applies.

(2) Section 2 is applicable to an interest or power of appointment **created, or to which property is subjected, by the exercise of a second power that is subject to section 2(1) of the** personal property trust perpetuities act, 2008 PA 148, MCL ~~554.91 to 554.94, applies if the interest or power was created, or property was made subject to the interest or power, by the exercise of a second power.~~ **554.92.** If section 2 is applicable to an interest or power under this subsection, it applies only to the extent of the exercise of the second power, and instead of using a period of 90 years to determine whether section 2(1)(b), (2)(b), or (3)(b) is satisfied, or whether to reform a disposition under section 4, a period of 360 years ~~shall~~ **must** be used.

(3) As used in this section, "second power" means that term as defined in section 2 of the personal property trust perpetuities act, 2008 PA 148, MCL 554.92.

Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect unless House Bill No. 4033 (request no. H00164'25) of the 103rd Legislature is enacted into law.