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Highlights of the Latest Major Legislative, Administrative and Regulatory Activity in the State Capitol

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GOV WHITMER SIGNS EXECUTIVE DIRECTIVE TO ELECTRIFY MICHIGAN'S FLEET – *Governor Gretchen Whitmer* signed an *Executive Directive* on Tuesday that directs the state of Michigan to transition its state-owned fleet to zero emission vehicles by 2040.

The bigger picture: The directive asks state departments to prioritize the transition of vehicles in their fleet that travel the most miles to zero emission vehicles. Under the directive, light-duty vehicles will be transitioned by 2033, while medium- and heavy-duty vehicles will be transitioned by 2040.

To read more, please click [here](#).

GOV WHITMER SIGNS LEGISLATION TO PROTECT HEALTH CARE WORKERS – *Governor Gretchen Whitmer* signed legislation this week that increases fines against those who assault, both with or without a weapon, health professionals or medical volunteers who are on the job at the time of the crime. **Why it matters:** *House Bills 4520* and *4521* is a bipartisan bill package championed by *MHSA* client, the *Michigan College of Emergency Physicians (MCEP)*. *MCEP* has worked on passing the legislation since 2013 with confidence in knowing, if enacted, the bills would protect health care workers and encourage more individuals to enter the health care workforce. *MHSA* clients *Corewell Health* and *Bronson Healthcare* were critical partners throughout the legislative process.

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ELECTIONS

- *U.S. Representative Tim Walberg (R-Tipton)* endorsed *former U.S. Representative Mike Rogers* in the open *U.S. Senate* seat *Republican* primary. The *Republican* primary is crowded as numerous GOP candidates jumped into the race once *U.S. Senator Debbie Stabenow (D-Lansing)* announced she would not seek reelection in 2024 earlier this year.

ODDS AND ENDS

- The *House* published its 2024 session calendar this week, which can be viewed [here](#). The *Senate* also released its 2024 session calendar through June, which can be viewed [here](#). Please note the calendars only denote session through June. Updated calendars are expected to be released in 2024.
- The *Michigan Supreme Court (MSC)* ruled this week that they will not weigh in on the question of whether *former President Donald Trump* can appear on Michigan primary election ballots until the *Court of Appeals* makes a ruling. The *MSC* ruled 6-1 that it was not persuaded to make a ruling at this time.

- ***Governor Gretchen Whitmer*** signed ***Senate Bill 410***, which repeals Michigan's immunity shield for drug manufacturers. The bill was sponsored by ***Senator Jeff Irwin (D-Ann Arbor)***.

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