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Representatives,

Today I am returning Enrolled House Bill 4792 to you without my approval.

This bill would authorize the use of unattended self-service fuel pumps in Michigan. Unattended fuel pumps raise significant safety concerns, both for motorists and for the environment. Without the presence of a gas station attendant to quickly and appropriately respond to fuel spills or fires, such incidents will be more likely to get out of control and to cause far more serious harm. Despite the heightened need for safety regulations when fuel pumps are unattended, this bill would also restrict the ability of the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs to ensure that appropriate safety precautions are taken.

The safety of the people of Michigan is my top priority. I am vetoing this bill to prevent potentially hazardous accidents, including fires and fuel spills, that could result in death or significant property and environmental damage.

Respectfully,

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Gretchen Whitmer Governor