SUBSTITUTE FOR

HOUSE BILL NO. 4555

A bill to amend 2014 PA 93, entitled "Alternative state essential services assessment act," by amending sections 3, 5, and 7 (MCL 211.1073, 211.1075, and 211.1077).

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 3. As used in this act:
- 2 (a) "Acquisition cost" means the fair market value of personal
- 3 property at the time of acquisition by the current FIRST owner,
- 4 including the cost of freight, sales tax, and installation, and
- 5 other capitalized costs, except capitalized interest. There is a
- 6 rebuttable presumption that the acquisition price paid by the
- 7 current FIRST owner for personal property, and any costs of
- 8 freight, sales tax, and installation, and other capitalized costs,
- 9 except capitalized interest, reflect the fair market value of the

- 1 personal property AT THE TIME OF ACQUISITION BY THE FIRST OWNER.
- 2 For personal property exempt under section 9m or 9n of the general
- 3 property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.9m and 211.9n, that would
- 4 otherwise be exempt under section 7k of the general property tax
- 5 act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.7k, UNDER AN INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES
- 6 EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE ISSUED UNDER 1974 PA 198, MCL 207.551 TO
- 7 207.572, AND EFFECTIVE BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2013, and for personal
- 8 property subject to an extended industrial facilities exemption
- 9 certificate under section 11a of 1974 PA 198, MCL 207.561a, THAT IS
- 10 EXEMPT UNDER AN INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE ISSUED
- 11 UNDER 1974 PA 198, MCL 207.551 TO 207.572, AND EFFECTIVE BEFORE
- 12 JANUARY 1, 2013, acquisition cost means 1/2 of the fair market
- 13 value of that personal property at the time of acquisition by the
- 14 current FIRST owner. The acquisition cost for personal property
- 15 exempt under the MICHIGAN renaissance zone act, 1996 PA 376, MCL
- 16 125.2681 to 125.2696, is \$0.00 except for the 3 years immediately
- 17 preceding the expiration of the exemption of that personal property
- 18 under the MICHIGAN renaissance zone act, 1996 PA 376, MCL 125.2681
- 19 to 125.2696, during which period of time the acquisition cost for
- 20 that personal property means the fair market value of that personal
- 21 property at the time of acquisition by the current-FIRST owner
- 22 multiplied by the percentage reduction in the exemption as provided
- 23 in section 9(3) of the MICHIGAN renaissance zone act, 1996 PA 376,
- 24 MCL 125.2689. The state tax commission may provide guidelines for
- 25 circumstances in which the actual acquisition price is not
- 26 determinative of fair market value and the basis of determining
- 27 fair market value in those circumstances, including when that

- 1 property is idle, obsolete, or surplus.BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING
- 2 CIRCUMSTANCES:
- 3 (i) THE ACTUAL ACQUISITION COST, THE YEAR OF ACQUISITION, OR
- 4 BOTH ARE UNKNOWN.
- 5 (ii) THE ACTUAL ACQUISITION COST IS NOT DETERMINATIVE OF FAIR
- 6 MARKET VALUE BECAUSE THE PROPERTY IS IDLE, HAS MATERIAL
- 7 OBSOLESCENCE, OR IS SURPLUS.
- 8 (b) "Assessment" means the alternative state essential
- 9 services assessment levied under section 5.
- (c) "Assessment year" means the year in which the alternative
- 11 state essential services assessment levied under section 5 is due.
- 12 (d) "Eligible claimant" means a person that owns, leases, or
- is in the possession of eligible personal property.
- 14 (e) "Eligible personal property" means personal property
- 15 exempt from the tax levied under the state essential services
- 16 assessment act, 2014 PA 92, MCL 211.1051 TO 211.1061, and
- 17 determined to be subject to the alternative state essential
- 18 services assessment as provided in section 9 of the state essential
- 19 services assessment act, 2014 PA 92, MCL 211.1059.
- 20 Sec. 5. (1) Beginning January 1, 2016, the alternative state
- 21 essential services assessment is levied on all eligible personal
- 22 property as provided in this section.
- 23 (2) The assessment under this section is a state tax on the
- 24 eligible personal property owned by, leased to, or in the
- 25 possession of an eligible claimant on December 31 of the year
- 26 immediately preceding the assessment year and shall be calculated
- 27 as follows:

- 1 (a) For eligible personal property acquired by the eligible
- 2 claimant FIRST OWNER in a year 1 to 5 years before the assessment
- 3 year, multiply the acquisition cost of the eliqible personal
- 4 property by 50% of the mills levied under section 5(2)(a) of the
- 5 state essential services assessment act, 2014 PA 92, MCL 211.1055.
- 6 (b) For eligible personal property acquired by the eligible
- 7 claimant FIRST OWNER in a year 6 to 10 years before the assessment
- 8 year, multiply the acquisition cost of the eligible personal
- 9 property by 50% of the mills levied under section 5(2)(b) of the
- 10 state essential services assessment act, 2014 PA 92, MCL 211.1055.
- 11 (c) For eligible personal property acquired by the eligible
- 12 claimant FIRST OWNER in a year more than 10 years before the
- 13 assessment year, multiply the acquisition cost of the eligible
- 14 personal property by 50% of the mills levied under section 5(2)(c)
- 15 of the state essential services assessment act, 2014 PA 92, MCL
- 16 211.1055.
- 17 Sec. 7. (1) The department of treasury shall collect and
- 18 administer the alternative state essential services assessment as
- 19 provided in this section.
- 20 (2) Not later than May 1 in each assessment year, the
- 21 department of treasury shall make available in electronic form to
- 22 each eligible claimant a statement for calculation of the
- assessment as provided in section 5.
- 24 (3) Not later than September AUGUST 15 in each assessment
- 25 year, each eligible claimant shall submit electronically to the
- 26 department of treasury the completed statement, IN A FORM AND
- 27 MANNER PRESCRIBED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY, and full payment

- 1 of the assessment levied under section 5 for that assessment year
- 2 as calculated in section 5(2). The department of treasury may waive
- 3 or delay the electronic filing requirement at its discretion. THE
- 4 DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY MAY ACCEPT A TIMELY FILED STATEMENT USING
- 5 REPORTING SOFTWARE APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY, SUBJECT
- 6 TO AUDIT UNDER SUBSECTION (6). A statement submitted by an eligible
- 7 claimant shall include all of the eligible claimant's eligible
- 8 personal property located in this state subject to the assessment
- 9 levied under section 5. and, beginning in 2019, specify the
- 10 location of that property on December 31 of the year immediately
- 11 preceding the assessment year. THE COMPLETED STATEMENT REQUIRED
- 12 UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL NOT BE SUBJECT TO DISCLOSURE UNDER THE
- 13 FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT, 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.231 TO 15.246.
- 14 (4) If an eligible claimant does not submit the statement and
- 15 full payment of the assessment levied under section 5 by September
- 16 AUGUST 15, the department of treasury shall issue a notice to the
- 17 eligible claimant not later than October SEPTEMBER 15. The notice
- 18 shall include a statement explaining the consequences of nonpayment
- 19 as set forth in subsection (5) and instructing the eligible
- 20 claimant of its potential responsibility under subsection (5)(e).
- 21 An eligible claimant shall submit payment in full by November 1
- 22 OCTOBER 15 of the assessment year along with a penalty of 1% per
- 23 week on the unpaid balance for each week payment is not made in
- 24 full up to a maximum of 5% of the total amount due and unpaid. For
- 25 the eligible claimant's first assessment year, the penalty shall be
- 26 waived if the eligible claimant submits the statement and full
- 27 payment of the assessment levied under section 5 within 7 business

- 1 days of BY September 15. AN ELIGIBLE CLAIMANT MAY AMEND A FILED
- 2 STATEMENT FOR THE CURRENT YEAR UP TO SEPTEMBER 15. PAYMENTS MADE
- 3 DUE TO AN AMENDED STATEMENT ARE SUBJECT TO THE PENALTIES AS
- 4 DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION. THE DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY SHALL
- 5 ISSUE REFUNDS FOR OVERPAYMENTS DUE TO AN AMENDED STATEMENT. ALL
- 6 REFUNDS DUE TO OVERPAYMENT SHALL BE REMITTED WITHOUT INTEREST
- 7 EXCEPT AS PROVIDED BY SECTION 37 OF THE TAX TRIBUNAL ACT, 1973 PA
- 8 186, MCL 205.737.
- 9 (5) #f-FOR ANY ASSESSMENT YEAR IN WHICH an eligible claimant
- 10 does not submit payment in full and any penalty due under
- 11 subsection (4) OR (6) by November 1, OCTOBER 15, OR IF THE STATE
- 12 TAX COMMISSION DISCOVERS THAT THE PROPERTY IS NOT ELIGIBLE UNDER
- 13 SECTION 9M OR 9N OF THE GENERAL PROPERTY TAX ACT, 1893 PA 206, MCL
- 14 211.9M AND 211.9N, all of the following shall apply:
- 15 (a) The state tax commission shall direct the assessor to
- 16 rescind issue an order to rescind no later than the first monday in
- 17 DECEMBER for the assessment year any exemption described in section
- 18 9m or 9n of the general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.9m
- 19 and 211.9n, granted for the eligible personal property.ANY PARCEL
- 20 FOR WHICH PAYMENT IN FULL AND ANY PENALTY DUE HAVE NOT BEEN
- 21 RECEIVED OR FOR WHICH THE STATE TAX COMMISSION DISCOVERS THAT THE
- 22 PROPERTY IS NOT ELIGIBLE UNDER SECTION 9M OR 9N OF THE GENERAL
- 23 PROPERTY TAX ACT, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.9M AND 211.9N.
- 24 (b) The state tax commission shall ISSUE AN ORDER TO rescind
- 25 NO LATER THAN THE FIRST MONDAY IN DECEMBER for the assessment year
- 26 any exemption under section 9f of the general property tax act,
- 27 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.9f, which exemption was approved under section

- 1 9f of the general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.9f, after
- 2 2013 FOR ANY PARCEL FOR WHICH PAYMENT IN FULL AND ANY PENALTY DUE
- 3 HAVE NOT BEEN RECEIVED OR FOR WHICH THE STATE TAX COMMISSION
- 4 DISCOVERS THAT THE PROPERTY IS NOT ELIGIBLE UNDER SECTION 9M OR 9N
- 5 OF THE GENERAL PROPERTY TAX ACT, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.9M AND
- 6 211.9N.
- 7 (c) The state tax commission shall ISSUE AN ORDER TO rescind
- 8 NO LATER THAN THE FIRST MONDAY IN DECEMBER for the assessment year
- 9 any exemption for eligible personal property subject to an extended
- 10 industrial facilities exemption certificate under section 11a of
- 11 1974 PA 198, MCL 207.561a, FOR ANY PARCEL FOR WHICH PAYMENT IN FULL
- 12 AND ANY PENALTY DUE HAVE NOT BEEN RECEIVED OR FOR WHICH THE STATE
- 13 TAX COMMISSION DISCOVERS THAT THE PROPERTY IS NOT ELIGIBLE UNDER
- 14 SECTION 9M OR 9N OF THE GENERAL PROPERTY TAX ACT, 1893 PA 206, MCL
- 15 211.9M AND 211.9N.
- 16 (d) The state tax commission shall ISSUE AN ORDER TO rescind
- 17 NO LATER THAN THE FIRST MONDAY IN DECEMBER for the assessment year
- 18 any extended exemption for eliqible personal property under section
- 19 9f(8)(a) of the general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.9f,
- 20 FOR ANY PARCEL FOR WHICH PAYMENT IN FULL AND ANY PENALTY DUE HAVE
- 21 NOT BEEN RECEIVED OR FOR WHICH THE STATE TAX COMMISSION DISCOVERS
- 22 THAT THE PROPERTY IS NOT ELIGIBLE UNDER SECTION 9M OR 9N OF THE
- 23 GENERAL PROPERTY TAX ACT, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.9M AND 211.9N.
- 24 (e) The **ELIGIBLE** claimant shall file not later than November
- 25 10-WITH THE ASSESSOR OF THE TOWNSHIP OR CITY WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE
- 26 DATE OF THE STATE TAX COMMISSION ORDER TO RESCIND ISSUED UNDER
- 27 SUBDIVISIONS (A) TO (D) a statement under section 19 of the general

- 1 property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.19, for all property for
- 2 which the exemption has been rescinded under this section.
- 3 (f) All taxes due as a result of a rescission by the
- 4 department of treasury or WITHIN 60 DAYS OF AN ORDER OF RESCISSION
- 5 by the state tax commission under subdivisions (a) to (d), THE
- 6 TREASURER OF THE LOCAL TAX COLLECTING UNIT SHALL ISSUE AMENDED TAX
- 7 BILLS FOR ANY TAXES, INCLUDING PENALTY AND INTEREST, that were not
- 8 billed under the general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.1
- 9 to 211.155, or under 1974 PA 198, MCL 207.551 to 207.572, on the
- 10 summer bill shall be billed under the general property tax act,
- 11 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.1 to 211.155, or under 1974 PA 198, MCL
- 12 207.551 to 207.572, on the winter tax bill.AND THAT ARE OWED AS A
- 13 RESULT OF THE ORDER OF RESCISSION.
- 14 (6) (g) A person who files a statement under section 7 AN
- 15 ELIGIBLE CLAIMANT shall provide access to the books and records,
- 16 FOR AUDIT PURPOSES, relating to the LOCATION AND description; the
- 17 date of purchase, lease, or acquisition; and the purchase price,
- 18 lease amount, or value of all industrial personal property and
- 19 commercial personal property owned by, leased by, or in the
- 20 possession of that person or a related entity if requested by the
- 21 assessor of the local tax collecting unit, TOWNSHIP OR CITY, county
- 22 equalization department, or department of treasury for the year in
- 23 which the statement is filed and the immediately preceding 3 years.
- 24 THE DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY SHALL DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT AN AUDIT
- 25 PROGRAM WHICH INCLUDES, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO, THE AUDIT OF
- 26 STATEMENTS SUBMITTED UNDER SUBSECTION (3) AND AMENDED STATEMENTS
- 27 SUBMITTED UNDER SUBSECTION (4) FOR THE CURRENT CALENDAR YEAR AND

- 1 THE 3 CALENDAR YEARS IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING THE COMMENCEMENT OF AN
- 2 AUDIT. AN ASSESSMENT AS A RESULT OF AN AUDIT SHALL BE PAID IN FULL
- 3 WITHIN 35 DAYS OF ISSUANCE AND SHALL INCLUDE PENALTIES AND INTEREST
- 4 AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 154(3) OF THE GENERAL PROPERTY TAX ACT,
- 5 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.154. REFUNDS AS A RESULT OF AN AUDIT UNDER
- 6 THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE WITHOUT INTEREST. THE EXEMPTION FOR
- 7 PERSONAL PROPERTY FOR WHICH AN ASSESSMENT HAS BEEN ISSUED AS A
- 8 RESULT OF AN AUDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE
- 9 RESCISSION PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (5) FOR THE YEARS OF THE
- 10 ASSESSMENT IF FULL PAYMENT IS NOT TIMELY MADE AS REQUIRED BY THIS
- 11 SUBSECTION.
- 12 (7) (6) An eligible claimant may appeal an assessment levied
- 13 under section 5 or a penalty or rescission under this section to
- 14 the state tax commission by filing a petition not later than
- 15 December 31 in that tax year. AN ELIGIBLE CLAIMANT MAY APPEAL AN
- 16 ASSESSMENT ISSUED, INCLUDING PENALTIES, INTEREST, OR RESCISSION, AS
- 17 A RESULT OF AN AUDIT CONDUCTED UNDER SUBSECTION (6) BY FILING A
- 18 PETITION WITH THE STATE TAX COMMISSION WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE DATE
- 19 OF THAT ASSESSMENT'S ISSUANCE.
- 20 The department of treasury may appeal to the state tax commission
- 21 by filing a petition for the current calendar year and 3
- 22 immediately preceding calendar years. The state tax commission
- 23 shall decide any appeal based on the written petition and the
- 24 written recommendation of state tax commission staff and any other
- 25 relevant information. The department of treasury or any eligible
- 26 claimant may appeal the decision DETERMINATION of the state tax
- 27 commission to the Michigan tax tribunal WITHIN 35 DAYS OF THE DATE

1 OF THE DETERMINATION.