

HOUSE BILL No. 4796

May 7, 1991, Introduced by Rep. Bryant and referred to the Committee on Economic Development and Energy.

A bill to amend sections 8, 11, and 14 of Act No. 224 of the Public Acts of 1985, entitled

"Enterprise zone act,"

section 14 as amended by Act No. 80 of the Public Acts of 1990, being sections 125.2108, 125.2111, and 125.2114 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Section 1. Sections 8, 11, and 14 of Act No. 224 of the
2 Public Acts of 1985, section 14 as amended by Act No. 80 of the
3 Public Acts of 1990, being sections 125.2108, 125.2111, and
4 125.2114 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, are amended to read as
5 follows:

6 Sec. 8. The authority shall determine which local
7 governmental units qualify to apply to have enterprise zones
8 approved within their boundaries which qualifying local

1 governmental units shall HAVE A POPULATION OF 1,000,000 OR MORE
2 OR meet all of the following criteria:

3 (a) Unemployment is at an average rate of more than 25% for
4 the most recent calendar year for which data is available from
5 the Michigan employment security commission.

6 (b) The median family income is less than 55% of the state
7 average median family income as reported in the 1980 federal
8 decennial census.

9 (c) The most recent average millage rate that is levied for
10 use by the local governmental unit is more than 30 mills.

11 (d) The state equalized value of the local governmental unit
12 is less than \$4,000.00 per capita according to the most recent
13 certification by the department of commerce for the small cities
14 community development block grant needs index.

15 Sec. 11. (1) With the advice of the citizens' council, the
16 chief elected official of a local governmental unit qualified
17 under section 8 shall recommend to the legislative body of the
18 local governmental unit the area within its jurisdiction to be
19 proposed as an enterprise zone. The boundary of an enterprise
20 zone shall be continuous and shall include, if feasible, vacant
21 or underutilized land or structures that are conveniently acces-
22 sible to residents of the enterprise zone.

23 (2) THE AREA OF AN ENTERPRISE ZONE IN A LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL
24 UNIT WITH A POPULATION OF 1,000,000 OR MORE SHALL NOT EXCEED 2
25 SQUARE MILES, AND THE AREA SHALL BE REASONABLY COMPACT AND NOT
26 SUBSTANTIALLY CONSTITUTE SEPARATE, MULTIPLE AREAS WITH 1 OR MORE
27 CONNECTING CORRIDORS.

1 (3) THERE SHALL BE NO MORE THAN 1 ENTERPRISE ZONE IN A LOCAL
2 GOVERNMENTAL UNIT.

3 Sec. 14. (1) A business that plans to meet the construc-
4 tion, restoration, alteration, or renovation requirements for,
5 and that does meet the other conditions for, a qualified business
6 prescribed in this act may apply to the local governmental unit
7 in which the business will be located as a qualified business for
8 certification as a qualified business.

9 (2) If a business applying under subsection (1) meets the
10 conditions for a qualified business prescribed by this act, other
11 than the construction, restoration, alteration, and renovation
12 requirements, that local governmental unit shall certify the
13 business as a qualified business, subject to final approval of
14 the certification by the authority.

15 (3) If a local governmental unit approves a certification,
16 the local governmental unit shall forward the application and
17 certification to the authority. If a local governmental unit
18 rejects an application, the local governmental unit shall return
19 the application to the business with a written statement of the
20 reasons for rejection.

21 (4) A business whose application for certification as a
22 qualified business is rejected by a local governmental unit may
23 submit another application to the local governmental unit or may
24 appeal the rejection to the authority.

25 (5) If a business that is certified to or appeals to the
26 authority meets the conditions for a qualified business
27 prescribed by this act, other than the construction, restoration,

1 alteration, and renovation requirements, the authority shall
2 approve the certification of that business as a qualified
3 business. If the authority rejects the application or appeal,
4 the authority shall return the application or appeal to the busi-
5 ness with a written statement of the reasons for rejection. A
6 business whose application is rejected by the authority may
7 resubmit the application or may take other action that the busi-
8 ness considers necessary to obtain certification as a qualified
9 business.

10 (6) A local governmental unit or the authority shall not
11 certify a business as a qualified business after 8 years after
12 the date on which the authority approves the ~~first~~ area IN
13 WHICH THE BUSINESS IS OR IS TO BE LOCATED as an enterprise zone.