

SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 5859

A bill to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled
"The general property tax act,"
by amending section 7ff (MCL 211.7ff), as amended by 1998 PA 18.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 7ff. (1) For taxes levied after 1996, except as other-
2 wise provided in subsections (2) and (3) and except as limited in
3 subsections (4), (5), and (6), real property in a renaissance
4 zone and personal property located in a renaissance zone is
5 exempt from taxes collected under this act to the extent and for
6 the duration provided pursuant to the Michigan renaissance zone
7 act, 1996 PA 376, MCL 125.2681 to 125.2696.
- 8 (2) Real and personal property in a renaissance zone is not
9 exempt from collection of the following:
- 10 (a) A special assessment levied by the local tax collecting
11 unit in which the property is located.

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1 (b) Ad valorem property taxes specifically levied for the
2 payment of principal and interest of obligations approved by the
3 electors or obligations pledging the unlimited taxing power of
4 the local governmental unit.

5 (c) A tax levied under section 705, 1211c, or 1212 of the
6 revised school code, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.705, 380.1211c, and
7 380.1212.

8 (3) Real property in a renaissance zone on which a casino is
9 operated and personal property of a casino located in a renaiss-
10 sance zone is not exempt from the collection of taxes under this
11 act. As used in this subsection, "casino" means a casino regu-
12 lated by this state pursuant to the Michigan gaming control and
13 revenue act, Initiated Law of 1996, MCL 432.201 to 432.226, and
14 all property associated or affiliated with the operation of a
15 casino, including, but not limited to, a parking lot, hotel,
16 motel, or retail store.

17 (4) For residential rental property in a renaissance zone,
18 the exemption provided under this section is only available if
19 that residential rental property is in substantial compliance
20 with all applicable state and local zoning, building, and housing
21 laws, ordinances, or codes and the property owner files an affi-
22 davit before December 31 in the immediately preceding tax year
23 with the treasurer of the local tax collecting unit in which the
24 property is located stating that the property is in substantial
25 compliance with all applicable state and local zoning, building,
26 and housing laws, ordinances, or codes.

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1 (5) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (6), personal
2 property is exempt under this section if that property is located
3 in a renaissance zone on tax day as provided in section 2 and was
4 located in that renaissance zone for not less than 50% of the
5 immediately preceding tax year. The written statement required
6 under section 18 shall identify all personal property located in
7 a renaissance zone on the tax day provided in section 2 and shall
8 indicate whether that personal property was located in that
9 renaissance zone for 50% of the immediately preceding tax year.

10 (6) Personal property located in a renaissance zone on tax
11 day as provided in section 2 and located in that renaissance zone
12 for less than 50% of the immediately preceding tax year is exempt
13 under this section if ~~all of the following conditions are~~
14 ~~satisfied:~~

15 ~~(a) The personal property was not previously located in this~~
16 ~~state.~~ ~~(b) An~~ AN owner of the personal property files an affi-
17 davit with the written statement required under section 18 stat-
18 ing that the personal property will be located in that renais-
19 sance zone for not less than 50% of ~~that~~ THE tax year FOR WHICH
20 THE EXEMPTION IS CLAIMED. The written statement required under
21 section 18 shall identify all personal property located in that
22 renaissance zone on the tax day provided in section 2 and iden-
23 tify that personal property for which an exemption is claimed
24 under this subsection.

25 (7) As used in this section:

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1 (a) "Renaissance zone" means that area designated a
2 renaissance zone under the Michigan renaissance zone act, 1996 PA
3 376, MCL 125.2681 to 125.2696.

4 (b) "Residential rental property" means that portion of real
5 property not occupied by an owner of that real property that is
6 classified as residential real property under section 34c, is a
7 multiple-unit dwelling, or is a dwelling unit in a multiple pur-
8 pose structure, used for residential purposes, and all personal
9 property located in that real property.

10 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act is retroactive and
11 is effective December 30, 1997.