SENATE BILL NO. 460

April 24, 1997, Introduced by Senators STILLE, DUNASKISS and NORTH and referred to the Committee on Local, Urban and State Affairs.

A bill to amend 1943 PA 183, entitled "County zoning act,"

by amending section 20 (MCL 125.220).

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 20. (1) The county board of zoning appeals shall act
- 2 upon all questions as they may HEAR AND DECIDE QUESTIONS THAT
- 3 arise in the administration of the zoning ordinance, including
- 4 the interpretation of the zoning maps, and may fix rules to
- 5 govern its procedure sitting as a board of appeals. It shall
- 6 hear and decide appeals from and review an order, requirement,
- 7 decision, or determination made by an administrative official or
- 8 body charged with enforcement of an ordinance adopted pursuant to
- 9 this act. It shall also hear and decide all matters referred to
- 10 it or upon which it is required to pass under an ordinance
- 11 adopted pursuant to this act. For special land use and planned

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- 1 unit development decisions, an appeal may be taken to the board
- 2 of appeals only if provided for in the zoning ordinance.
- 3 (2) The concurring vote of a majority of the members of the
- 4 county board of zoning appeals -shall be IS necessary to reverse
- 5 an order, requirement, decision, or determination of the adminis-
- 6 trative official or body, or to decide in favor of the applicant
- 7 a matter upon which the board is required to pass under the
- 8 ordinance, or to effect a variation GRANT A VARIANCE in the
- 9 ordinance. The AN appeal may be taken by a person aggrieved or
- 10 by an officer, department, board, or bureau of the township,
- 11 county, or state. IN ADDITION, AN AGENCY MAY SEEK A VARIANCE
- 12 FROM THE COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE
- 13 UNIFORM CONDEMNATION PROCEDURES ACT, 1980 PA 87, MCL 213.54. The
- 14 COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS SHALL STATE THE grounds of each
- 15 determination. shall be stated.