

SENATE BILL NO. 461

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

A bill to amend 1943 PA 184, entitled
"Township zoning act,"
by amending section 20 (MCL 125.290).

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

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

1 special land use and planned unit development decisions, an
2 appeal may be taken to the board of appeals only if provided for
3 in the zoning ordinance.

4 (2) The concurring vote of a majority of the members of the
5 TOWNSHIP board of appeals ~~shall be~~ IS necessary to reverse an
6 order, requirement, decision, or determination of the administra-
7 tive official or body, or to decide in favor of the applicant any
8 matter upon which ~~they are~~ THE BOARD IS required to pass under
9 ~~or to effect any variation in an ordinance adopted under this~~
10 ~~act. The~~ THE ORDINANCE, OR TO GRANT A VARIANCE IN THE
11 ORDINANCE. AN appeal may be taken by ~~any~~ A person aggrieved or
12 by ~~any~~ AN officer, department, board, or bureau of the town-
13 ship, county, or state. IN ADDITION, AN AGENCY MAY SEEK A VARI-
14 ANCE FROM THE TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS UNDER SECTION 4 OF
15 THE UNIFORM CONDEMNATION PROCEDURES ACT, 1980 PA 87, MCL 213.54.
16 The TOWNSHIP zoning board of appeals shall state the grounds of
17 each determination.