

HOUSE BILL No. 4413

March 4, 1997, Introduced by Rep. Gagliardi and referred to the Committee on Constitutional and Civil Rights.

A bill to amend 1846 RS 12, entitled
"Of certain state officers,"
(MCL 14.28 to 14.35) by adding section 29a.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 SEC. 29A. (1) THE ATTORNEY GENERAL SHALL REPRESENT A RESI-
2 DENT OF THIS STATE IN A CIVIL ACTION IF THE ACTION INVOLVES A
3 DISPUTE OVER THE OWNERSHIP OF PROPERTY WHEN ALL OF THE FOLLOWING
4 CIRCUMSTANCES EXIST:

5 (A) THE PROPERTY IN DISPUTE WAS ONCE OWNED BY A MICHIGAN
6 INDIAN TRIBE.

7 (B) A MICHIGAN INDIAN TRIBE CLAIMS OWNERSHIP OF THE
8 PROPERTY.

9 (C) AT THE TIME OF THE DISPUTE, THE PROPERTY IS OWNED BY 1
10 OR MORE RESIDENTS OF THIS STATE.

1 (D) THE PROPERTY WAS SOLD OR TRANSFERRED TO 1 OR MORE
2 RESIDENTS OF THIS STATE BY THE STATE OF MICHIGAN OR A PERSON
3 REPRESENTING THE STATE OF MICHIGAN.

4 (2) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "MICHIGAN INDIAN TRIBE" MEANS A
5 FEDERALLY RECOGNIZED INDIAN TRIBE THAT HAS TRUST LANDS LOCATED
6 WITHIN THIS STATE.