

**SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 4733**

A bill to amend 1996 PA 376, entitled
"Michigan renaissance zone act,"
by amending the title and sections 3 and 5 (MCL 125.2683 and
125.2685) and by adding sections 8a and 8b.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

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TITLE

2 An act to create AND EXPAND certain renaissance zones; to
3 foster economic opportunities in this state; to facilitate eco-
4 nomic development; to stimulate industrial, commercial, and resi-
5 dential improvements; to prevent physical and infrastructure
6 deterioration of geographic areas in this state; to authorize
7 expenditures; to provide exemptions and credits from certain
8 taxes; to create certain obligations of this state and local
9 governmental units; to require disclosure of certain transactions
10 and gifts; to provide for appropriations; and to prescribe the

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1 powers and duties of certain state and local departments,
2 agencies, and officials.

3 Sec. 3. As used in this act:

4 (a) "Board" means the state administrative board created in
5 ~~Act No. 2 of the Public Acts of 1921, being sections 17.1 to~~
6 ~~17.3 of the Michigan Compiled Laws~~ 1921 PA 2, MCL 17.1 TO 17.3.

7 (b) "Development plan" means a written plan that addresses
8 the criteria in section 7 and includes all of the following:

9 (i) A map of the proposed renaissance zone that indicates
10 the geographic boundaries, the total area, and the present use
11 and conditions generally of the land and structures within those
12 boundaries.

13 (ii) Evidence of community support and commitment from resi-
14 dential and business interests.

15 (iii) A description of the methods proposed to increase eco-
16 nomic opportunity and expansion, facilitate infrastructure
17 improvement, and identify job training opportunities.

18 (iv) Current social, economic, and demographic characteris-
19 tics of the proposed renaissance zone and anticipated improve-
20 ments in education, health, human services, public safety, and
21 employment if the renaissance zone is created.

22 (v) Any other information required by the board.

23 (c) "Elected county executive" means the elected county
24 executive in a county organized under ~~Act No. 293 of the Public~~
25 ~~Acts of 1966, being sections 45.501 to 45.521 of the Michigan~~
26 ~~Compiled Laws~~ 1966 PA 293, MCL 45.501 TO 45.521, or ~~Act No. 139~~

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1 ~~of the Public Acts of 1973, being sections 45.551 to 45.573 of~~
2 ~~the Michigan Compiled Laws 1973 PA 139, MCL 45.551 TO 45.573.~~

3 (d) "Local governmental unit" means a county, city, village,
4 or township.

5 (e) "Person" means an individual, partnership, corporation,
6 association, limited liability company, governmental entity, or
7 other legal entity.

8 (f) "Qualified local governmental unit" means ~~either of the~~
9 ~~following:~~

10 ~~(i) A county.~~

11 ~~(ii) A city, village, or township that contains an eligible~~
12 ~~distressed area as defined in section 11 of the state housing~~
13 ~~development authority act of 1966, Act No. 346 of the Public Acts~~
14 ~~of 1966, being section 125.1411 of the Michigan Compiled Laws A~~
15 ~~COUNTY, CITY, VILLAGE, OR TOWNSHIP.~~

16 (g) "Renaissance zone" means a geographic area ~~so~~ desig-
17 nated ~~by the board~~ under this act.

18 (h) "Residential rental property" means that term as defined
19 in section 7ff of the general property tax act, ~~Act No. 206 of~~
20 ~~the Public Acts of 1893, being section 211.7ff of the Michigan~~
21 ~~Compiled Laws 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.7FF.~~

22 (i) "Review board" means the renaissance zone review board
23 created in section 5.

24 (j) "Rural area" means an area that lies outside of the
25 boundaries of an urban area.

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1 (k) "Urban area" means an urbanized area as determined by
2 the economics and statistics administration, United States bureau
3 of the census according to the 1990 census.

4 Sec. 5. (1) The renaissance zone review board is created.
5 The review board shall consist of ~~all of the following:~~ THE
6 BOARD OF THE MICHIGAN STRATEGIC FUND DESCRIBED IN SECTION 4 OF
7 THE MICHIGAN STRATEGIC FUND ACT, 1984 PA 270, MCL 125.2004.

8 ~~(a) The director of the department of management and~~
9 ~~budget, or his or her designee.~~

10 ~~(b) The chief executive officer of the Michigan jobs commis-~~
11 ~~sion, or his or her designee.~~

12 ~~(c) The state treasurer, or his or her designee.~~

13 (2) The review board shall review all applications submitted
14 by qualified local governmental units and make recommendations to
15 the board for approval based on the criteria contained in section
16 7.

17 (3) The review board and the board shall not consider an
18 application if the application was submitted after September 30,
19 1996 FOR DESIGNATIONS UNDER SECTION 8.

20 (4) Members of the board and the review board shall serve
21 without compensation for their membership on the board and the
22 review board, but members of the board and the review board may
23 receive reasonable reimbursement for necessary travel and
24 expenses.

25 SEC. 8A. (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTIONS (2), (3),
26 AND (4), THE BOARD SHALL NOT DESIGNATE MORE THAN 9 ADDITIONAL
27 RENAISSANCE ZONES WITHIN THIS STATE

1 UNDER THIS SECTION. NOT MORE THAN 6 OF THE RENAISSANCE ZONES SHALL
2 BE LOCATED IN URBAN AREAS AND NOT MORE THAN 4 OF THE RENAISSANCE
3 ZONES SHALL BE LOCATED IN RURAL AREAS. FOR PURPOSES OF DETERMINING
4 WHETHER A

5 RENAISSANCE ZONE IS LOCATED IN AN URBAN AREA OR RURAL AREA UNDER
6 THIS SECTION, IF ANY PART OF A RENAISSANCE ZONE IS LOCATED WITHIN
7 AN URBAN AREA, THE ENTIRE RENAISSANCE ZONE SHALL BE CONSIDERED TO
8 BE LOCATED IN AN URBAN AREA.

9 (2) THE BOARD OF THE MICHIGAN STRATEGIC FUND DESCRIBED IN
10 SECTION 4 OF THE MICHIGAN STRATEGIC FUND ACT, 1984 PA 270,
11 MCL 125.2004, MAY DESIGNATE NOT MORE THAN 5 ADDITIONAL RENAISS-
12 SANCE ZONES WITHIN THIS STATE IN 1 OR MORE CITIES, VILLAGES, OR
13 TOWNSHIPS IF THAT CITY, VILLAGE, OR TOWNSHIP OR COMBINATION OF
14 CITIES, VILLAGES, OR TOWNSHIPS CONSENTS TO THE CREATION OF A
15 RENAISSANCE ZONE WITHIN THEIR BOUNDARIES.

16 (3) IN ADDITION TO THE NOT MORE THAN 9 ADDITIONAL RENAISS-
17 SANCE ZONES DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1), THE BOARD MAY DESIGNATE
18 ADDITIONAL RENAISSANCE ZONES WITHIN THIS STATE IN 1 OR MORE QUAL-
19 IFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS IF THAT QUALIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMEN-
20 TAL UNIT OR UNITS CONTAIN A MILITARY INSTALLATION THAT WAS OPER-
21 ATED BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AND HAS CLOSED
22 AFTER 1990.

23 (4) LAND OWNED BY A COUNTY OR THE QUALIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMEN-
24 TAL UNIT OR UNITS ADJACENT TO A ZONE AS DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION
25 (3) MAY BE INCLUDED IN THIS ZONE.

26 SEC. 8B. IT IS THE INTENT OF THE LEGISLATURE THAT LOCAL
GOVERNMENTAL UNITS SUBJECT TO THIS ACT SHALL FOLLOW ALL STATE
STATUTES THAT RELATE TO CONDEMNATION OF PROPERTY AND THE OPEN
MEETINGS ACT, 1976 PA 267, MCL 15.261 TO 15.275.

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1 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take
2 effect unless Senate Bill No. 625 of the 90th Legislature is
3 enacted into law.