

Act No. 13
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STATE OF MICHIGAN
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**Introduced by Reps. Middaugh, Garcia, Woronchak, DeVuyst, Green, Sanborn and Birkholz
Reps. Bisbee, Cameron Brown, Byl, Cassis, Clarke, DeHart, Dennis, Ehardt, Faunce, Gilbert, Gosselin,
Hager, Hansen, Rick Johnson, Julian, Kowall, Kuipers, Kukuk, LaSata, Minore, O'Neil, Patterson,
Richner, Rocca, Scott, Scranton, Shackleton, Shulman, Tabor, Toy, Van Woerkom, Vander Roest,
Vaughn, Voorhees, Wojno and Woodward named co-sponsors**

ENROLLED HOUSE BILL No. 4059

AN ACT to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "An act to protect the environment and natural resources of the state; to codify, revise, consolidate, and classify laws relating to the environment and natural resources of the state; to regulate the discharge of certain substances into the environment; to regulate the use of certain lands, waters, and other natural resources of the state; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies and officials; to provide for certain charges, fees, and assessments; to provide certain appropriations; to prescribe penalties and provide remedies; to repeal certain parts of this act on a specific date; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts," by amending section 1603 (MCL 324.1603), as added by 1995 PA 60.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

Sec. 1603. (1) The following courts have jurisdiction to determine whether seized property shall be confiscated as provided in section 1604:

(a) The district court, if the property is seized within this state, other than in a city having a municipal court or in a village served by a municipal court, and if the property is not appraised by the officer seizing the property at more than \$25,000.00 in value.

(b) A municipal court, if the property is seized in a city having a municipal court or in a village served by a municipal court and if the property is not appraised by the officer seizing the property at more than \$1,500.00 in value or \$3,000.00 in value if the city in which the municipal court is located has increased the jurisdictional amount under section 22 of the Michigan uniform municipal court act, 1956 PA 5, MCL 730.522.

(c) The circuit court, if the property is seized within this state and if the property exceeds the value specified in subdivision (a) or (b) as appraised by the officer seizing the property.

(2) If the circuit court has jurisdiction under subsection (1), the proceeding shall be commenced in the county in which the property is seized.

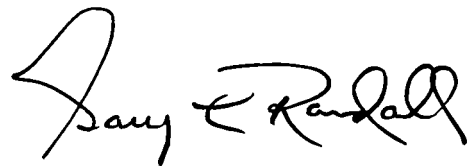
(3) If the district court has jurisdiction under subsection (1), venue for a proceeding shall be as follows:

(a) In the county in which the property is seized, if the property is seized in a district of the first class.

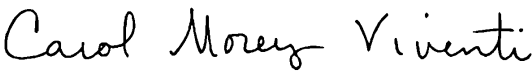
(b) In the district in which the property is seized, if the property is seized in a district of the second or third class.

Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect June 1, 1999.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.



Clerk of the House of Representatives.



Secretary of the Senate.

Approved -----

Governor.