SUBSTITUTE FOR

HOUSE BILL NO. 5653

A bill to amend 1933 PA 167, entitled "General sales tax act,"

(MCL 205.51 to 205.78) by adding section 4bb.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 4bb. (1) Beginning October 1, 2004, a qualified
- 2 organization subject to the tax under this act may exclude from
- 3 the gross proceeds used for the computation of the tax the sale
- 4 of an eligible automobile to a qualified recipient.
- 5 (2) As used in this section:
- 6 (a) "Eligible automobile" means an automobile that meets all
- 7 of the following requirements:
- 8 (i) The automobile has been inspected by a mechanic certified
- 9 under the motor vehicle service and repair act, 1974 PA 300, MCL
- 10 257.1301 to 257.1340.
- 11 (ii) The automobile is insured as required under state law.

- 1 (iii) The automobile is registered to a qualified recipient.
- 2 (b) "Qualified organization" means an organization that
- 3 applies for certification not later than July 1 of the year in
- 4 which an exemption is claimed under this section and is certified
- 5 by the department of treasury as meeting all of the following
- 6 requirements:
- 7 (i) The organization is exempt from taxation under section
- 8 501(c)(3) of the internal revenue code, 26 USC 501.
- 9 (ii) The organization is licensed under the charitable
- 10 organizations and solicitations act, 1975 PA 169, MCL 400.271 to
- 11 400.294.
- 12 (iii) The organization administers a program to provide a
- 13 qualified recipient with an eligible automobile for
- 14 transportation to his or her place of employment or for
- 15 employment-related activities.
- 16 (c) "Qualified recipient" means a person certified by a
- 17 qualified organization as meeting all of the following
- 18 qualifications:
- 19 (i) The qualified recipient receives or, if he or she
- 20 applied, would be eligible to receive public assistance through a
- 21 program created and administered under the social welfare act,
- 22 1939 PA 280, MCL 400.1 to 400.119b.
- (ii) The qualified recipient has a valid Michigan operator's
- 24 or chauffeur's license.
- 25 (iii) The qualified recipient is financially capable of
- 26 meeting any loan payment, insurance payment, or other expenditure
- 27 associated with the eligible vehicle.

- 1 (iv) Public transportation is not reasonably available to the
- 2 qualified recipient, the qualified recipient has no other
- 3 reliable means by which to commute to his or her place of
- 4 employment, and the qualified recipient will use the eligible
- 5 vehicle as his or her primary means of transportation to commute
- 6 to and from his or her place of employment.
- 7 (v) The qualified recipient has a demonstrated ability to
- 8 maintain employment.
- 9 (vi) If the qualified recipient is currently employed for not
- 10 less than an average of 20 hours per week, the qualified
- 11 recipient requires an automobile to retain his or her current
- 12 employment or to accept a verified offer of employment in a
- 13 position that is demonstrably superior to his or her current
- 14 position of employment.
- 15 (vii) If the qualified recipient is not currently employed or
- 16 is employed for less than an average of 20 hours per week, the
- 17 qualified recipient requires an automobile to accept a verified
- 18 offer of employment of not less than an average of 20 hours per
- 19 week and cannot begin employment in that position without an
- 20 automobile.