SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 5665

A bill to amend 1984 PA 431, entitled "The management and budget act,"

(MCL 18.1101 to 18.1594) by adding section 261c.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 261c. (1) Beginning October 1, 2006, in addition to
- 2 the requirements of sections 261, 261a, and 261b, in purchasing
- 3 wood or paper products the department shall give preference to
- 4 wood or paper products that derive from sustainably managed
- 5 forests or procurement systems.
- 6 (2) Paper product and forest product companies purchasing raw
- 7 materials from or through third parties may reasonably rely upon
- 8 the representations of landowners, vendors, or brokers as to
- 9 whether the raw materials derive from sustainably managed forests
- 10 or procurement systems.
- 11 (3) As used in this section, "sustainably managed forests or

- 1 procurement systems" means forests or procurement systems that
- 2 are certified by an independent third party using 1 or more of
- 3 the following certification programs:
- 4 (a) The sustainable forestry initiative/American forest and
- 5 paper association.
- 6 (b) The American tree farm systems/American forest
- 7 foundation.
- 8 (c) The Canadian standards associations sustainable forest
- 9 management system standards.
- 10 (d) The forest stewardship council.
- 11 (e) The Pan-European forest certification.
- 12 (f) The Finnish forest certification system.
- 13 (g) The United Kingdom woodlands assurance scheme.
- 14 (h) International standards organization (ISO) standard
- 15 14001.