SUBSTITUTE FOR

SENATE BILL NO. 586

A bill to amend 1941 PA 122, entitled

"An act to establish the revenue collection duties of the department of treasury; to prescribe its powers and duties as the revenue collection agency of the state; to prescribe certain powers and duties of the state treasurer; to regulate the importation, stamping, and disposition of certain tobacco products; to provide for the transfer of powers and duties now vested in certain other state boards, commissions, departments and offices; to prescribe certain duties of and require certain reports from the department of treasury; to provide procedures for the payment, administration, audit, assessment, levy of interests or penalties on, and appeals of taxes and tax liability; to prescribe its powers and duties if an agreement to act as agent for a city to administer, collect, and enforce the city income tax act on behalf of a city is entered into with any city; to provide an appropriation; to abolish the state board of tax administration; to prescribe penalties and provide remedies; and to declare the effect of this act,"

by amending section 28 (MCL 205.28), as amended by 2002 PA 657.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 28. (1) The following conditions apply to all taxes
- 2 administered under this act unless otherwise provided for in the
- 3 specific tax statute:

- 1 (a) Notice, if required, shall be given either by personal
- 2 service or by certified mail addressed to the last known address
- 3 of the taxpayer. Service upon the department may be made in the
- 4 same manner.
- 5 (b) An injunction shall not issue to stay proceedings for the
- 6 assessment and collection of a tax.
- 7 (c) In addition to the mode of collection provided in this
- 8 act, the department may institute an action at law in any county
- 9 in which the taxpayer resides or transacts business.
- 10 (d) The state treasurer may request in writing information or
- 11 records in the possession of any other department, institution,
- 12 or agency of state government for the performance of duties under
- 13 this act. Departments, institutions, or agencies of state
- 14 government shall furnish the information and records upon receipt
- 15 of the state treasurer's request. Upon request of the state
- 16 treasurer, any department, institution, or agency of state
- 17 government shall hold a hearing under the administrative
- 18 procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328, to
- 19 consider withholding a license or permit of a person for
- 20 nonpayment of taxes or accounts collected under this act.
- 21 (e) Except as otherwise provided in section 30c, the state
- 22 treasurer or an employee of the department shall not compromise
- 23 or reduce in any manner the taxes due to or claimed by this state
- 24 or unpaid accounts or amounts due to any department, institution,
- 25 or agency of state government. This subdivision does not prevent
- 26 a compromise of interest or penalties, or both.
- 27 (f) Except as otherwise provided in this subdivision, an

- 1 employee, authorized representative, or former employee or
- 2 authorized representative of the department or anyone connected
- 3 with the department shall not divulge any facts or information
- 4 obtained in connection with the administration of a tax or
- 5 information or parameters that would enable a person to ascertain
- 6 the audit selection or processing criteria of the department for
- 7 a tax administered by the department. An employee or authorized
- 8 representative shall not willfully inspect any return or
- 9 information contained in a return unless it is appropriate for
- 10 the proper administration of a tax law administered under this
- 11 act. A person may disclose information described in this
- 12 subdivision if the disclosure is required for the proper
- 13 administration of a tax law administered under this act or the
- 14 general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.1 to 211.157,
- 15 pursuant to a judicial order sought by an agency charged with the
- 16 duty of enforcing or investigating support obligations pursuant
- 17 to an order of a court in a domestic relations matter as that
- 18 term is defined in section 2 of the friend of the court act, 1982
- 19 PA 294, MCL 552.502, or pursuant to a judicial order sought by an
- 20 agency of the federal, state, or local government charged with
- 21 the responsibility for the administration or enforcement of
- 22 criminal law for purposes of investigating or prosecuting
- 23 criminal matters or for federal or state grand jury proceedings
- 24 or a judicial order if the taxpayer's liability for a tax
- 25 administered under this act is to be adjudicated by the court
- 26 that issued the judicial order. A person may disclose the
- 27 adjusted gross receipts and the wagering tax paid by a casino

- 1 licensee licensed under the Michigan gaming control and revenue
- 2 act, the Initiated Law of 1996, MCL 432.201 to 432.226, pursuant
- 3 to section 18, sections 341, 342, and 386 of the management and
- 4 budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1341, 18.1342, and 18.1386, or
- 5 authorization by the executive director of the gaming control
- 6 board. However, the state treasurer or a person designated by
- 7 the state treasurer may divulge information set forth or
- 8 disclosed in a return or report or by an investigation or audit
- 9 to any department, institution, or agency of state government
- 10 upon receipt of a written request from a head of the department,
- 11 institution, or agency of state government if it is required for
- 12 the effective administration or enforcement of the laws of this
- 13 state, to a proper officer of the United States department of
- 14 treasury, and to a proper officer of another state reciprocating
- 15 in this privilege. The state treasurer may enter into reciprocal
- 16 agreements with other departments of state government, the United
- 17 States department of treasury, local governmental units within
- 18 this state, or taxing officials of other states for the
- 19 enforcement, collection, and exchange of data after ascertaining
- 20 that any information provided will be subject to confidentiality
- 21 restrictions substantially the same as the provisions of this
- **22** act.
- 23 (2) A person who violates subsection (1)(e), -er (1)(f), or
- 24 (4) is guilty of a felony, punishable by a fine of not more than
- 25 \$5,000.00, or imprisonment for not more than 5 years, or both,
- 26 together with the costs of prosecution. In addition, if the
- 27 offense is committed by an employee of this state, the person

- 1 shall be dismissed from office or discharged from employment upon
- 2 conviction.
- 3 (3) A person liable for any tax administered under this act
- 4 shall keep accurate and complete records necessary for the proper
- 5 determination of tax liability as required by law or rule of the
- 6 department.
- 7 (4) A person who receives information under subsection (1)(f)
- 8 for the proper administration of the general property tax act,
- 9 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.1 to 211.157, shall not willfully disclose
- 10 that information for any purpose other than the administration of
- 11 the general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.1 to 211.157.
- 12 A person who violates this subsection is subject to the penalties
- 13 provided in subsection (2).
- 14 (5) -(4) As used in subsection (1), "adjusted gross
- 15 receipts" and "wagering tax" mean those terms as described in the
- 16 Michigan gaming control and revenue act, the Initiated Law of
- 17 1996, MCL 432.201 to 432.226.