HOUSE BILL No. 5320

October 18, 2005, Introduced by Reps. Elsenheimer, Huizenga, Vander Veen, Baxter, Wenke, Taub and Tobocman and referred to the Committee on Commerce.

A bill to amend 1972 PA 284, entitled

"Business corporation act,"

by amending section 442 (MCL 450.1442).

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 442. (1) The articles of incorporation may provide that a
- 2 class OR SERIES of shares , or any series thereof, shall vote as a
- 3 class OR SERIES to authorize any action, including amendment to the
- 4 articles. Such ANY voting as a class OR SERIES shall be in
- 5 addition to any other vote required by this act. Where IF voting
- 6 as a class or series is provided in the articles, it shall be by
- 7 the proportionate vote provided in the articles or, if a
- 8 proportionate vote is not so provided, then for any action other
 - than the election of directors, by a majority of the votes cast by

01875'05 DAM

- 1 the holders of shares of such THAT class or series entitled to
- 2 vote -thereon ON THAT ACTION.
- 3 (2) Where— IF voting as a class or series is required by this
- 4 act to authorize an action, the action shall be authorized by a
- 5 majority of the votes cast by the holders of shares of each such
- 6 class or series entitled to vote -thereon ON THAT ACTION, unless a
- 7 greater vote is required by the articles of incorporation or
- 8 another section of this act. The ANY voting as a class OR SERIES
- 9 shall be in addition to any other vote required by this act.
- 10 (3) UNLESS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THE ARTICLES OF
- 11 INCORPORATION, ABSTAINING FROM A VOTE OR SUBMITTING A BALLOT MARKED
- 12 "ABSTAIN" WITH RESPECT TO AN ACTION THAT REQUIRES AUTHORIZATION BY
- 13 A VOTE OF A CLASS OR SERIES IS NOT A VOTE CAST ON THAT ACTION.
- 14 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
- unless Senate Bill No.____ or House Bill No. 5319(request no.
- 16 01874'05) of the 93rd Legislature is enacted into law.

01875'05 Final Page DAM