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January 27, 2005, Introduced by Reps. Meyer and Jones and referred to the Committee on Commerce.

A bill to amend 1980 PA 450, entitled
"The tax increment finance authority act,"
by amending sections 3 and 17 (MCL 125.1803 and 125.1817), section
3 as amended by 1983 PA 148.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 3. (1) If the governing body of a municipality determines that it is in the best interests of the public to halt a decline in property values, increase property tax valuation, eliminate the causes of the decline in property values, and to promote growth in an area in the municipality, the governing body of that municipality may declare by resolution its intention to create and

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- 1 provide for the operation of an authority.
- 2 (2) In the resolution of intent, the governing body shall set
- 3 a date for the holding of a public hearing on the adoption of a
- 4 proposed resolution creating the authority and designating the
- 5 boundaries of the authority district. Notice of the public hearing
- 6 shall be published twice in a newspaper of general circulation in
- 7 the municipality, not less than 20 nor more than 40 days before the
- 8 date of the hearing. Notice shall also be mailed to the property
- 9 taxpayers of record in the proposed authority district not less
- 10 than 20 days before the hearing. BEGINNING JUNE 1, 2005, THE NOTICE
- 11 OF HEARING WITHIN THE TIME FRAME DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION SHALL
- 12 BE MAILED BY CERTIFIED MAIL TO THE << GOVERNING BODY OF EACH TAXING
- 13 JURISDICTION LEVYING TAXES THAT WOULD BE SUBJECT TO CAPTURE IF THE
- 14 AUTHORITY IS ESTABLISHED AND A TAX INCREMENT FINANCING PLAN IS APPROVED>>. Failure to receive the notice
- 15 shall not invalidate these proceedings. The notice shall state the
- 16 date, time, and place of the hearing, and shall describe the
- 17 boundaries of the proposed authority district. At that hearing, a
- 18 citizen, taxpayer, or property owner of the municipality has the
- 19 right to be heard in regard to the establishment of the authority
- 20 and the boundaries of the proposed authority district. The
- 21 governing body of the municipality shall not incorporate land into
- 22 the authority district not included in the description contained in
- 23 the notice of public hearing, but it may eliminate described lands
- 24 from the authority district in the final determination of the
- 25 boundaries.
- 26 (3) After the public hearing, if the governing body intends to
- 27 proceed with the establishment of the authority, it shall adopt, by

- 1 majority vote of its members, a resolution establishing the
- 2 authority and designating the boundaries of the authority district
- 3 within which the authority shall exercise its powers. The adoption
- 4 of the resolution is subject to any applicable statutory or charter
- 5 provisions with respect to the approval or disapproval by the chief
- 6 executive or other officer of the municipality and the adoption of
- 7 a resolution over his or her veto. This resolution shall be filed
- 8 with the secretary of state promptly after its adoption and shall
- 9 be published at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in
- 10 the municipality.
- 11 (4) The governing body may alter or amend the boundaries of
- 12 the authority district to include or exclude lands from the
- 13 authority district in accordance with the same requirements
- 14 prescribed for adopting the resolution creating the authority.
- 15 (5) The validity of the proceedings establishing an authority
- 16 shall be conclusive unless contested in a court of competent
- 17 jurisdiction within 60 days after the last of the following takes
- 18 place:
- (a) Publication of the resolution as adopted.
- 20 (b) Filing of the resolution with the secretary of state.
- 21 (c) The effective date of this subsection.
- Sec. 17. (1) The governing body, before adoption of a
- 23 resolution approving OR AMENDING a development plan or APPROVING OR
- 24 AMENDING A tax increment financing plan, shall hold a public
- 25 hearing on the development plan. Notice of the time and place of
- 26 the hearing shall be given by publication twice in a newspaper of
- 27 general circulation designated by the municipality, the first of

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- 1 which shall not be less than 20 days before the date set for the
- 2 hearing. Notice shall also be mailed to all property taxpayers of
- 3 record in the development area not less than 20 days before the
- 4 hearing. BEGINNING JUNE 1, 2005, THE NOTICE OF HEARING WITHIN THE
- 5 TIME FRAME DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE MAILED BY
- 6 CERTIFIED MAIL TO THE <<GOVERNING BODY OF EACH TAXING JURISDICTION
- 7 LEVYING TAXES THAT WOULD BE SUBJECT TO CAPTURE IF THE DEVELOPMENT PLAN
- 8 OR THE TAX INCREMENT FINANCING PLAN IS APPROVED OR AMENDED>>.
- 9 (2) Notice of the time and place of hearing on a development
- 10 plan shall contain the following:
- 11 (a) A description of the proposed development area in relation
- 12 to highways, streets, streams, or otherwise.
- 13 (b) A statement that maps, plats, and a description of the
- 14 development plan, including the method of relocating families and
- 15 individuals who may be displaced from the area, are available for
- 16 public inspection at a place designated in the notice, and that all
- 17 aspects of the development plan will be open for discussion at the
- 18 public hearing.
- 19 (c) Other information that the governing body considers
- 20 appropriate.
- 21 (3) At the time set for hearing, the governing body shall
- 22 provide an opportunity for interested persons to be heard and shall
- 23 receive and consider communications in writing with reference
- 24 thereto. The hearing shall provide the fullest opportunity for
- 25 expression of opinion, for argument on the merits, and for
- 26 introduction of documentary evidence pertinent to the development
- 27 plan. The governing body shall make and preserve a record of the

1 public hearing, including all data presented at that time.