

**SUBSTITUTE FOR  
HOUSE BILL NO. 5847**

A bill to amend 1996 PA 376, entitled  
"Michigan renaissance zone act,"  
by amending section 8a (MCL 125.2688a), as amended by 2006 PA 440.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1        Sec. 8a. (1) Except as provided in subsections (2), (3), and  
2        (4), the board shall not designate more than 9 additional  
3        renaissance zones within this state under this section. Not more  
4        than 6 of the renaissance zones shall be located in urban areas and  
5        not more than 5 of the renaissance zones shall be located in rural  
6        areas. For purposes of determining whether a renaissance zone is  
7        located in an urban area or rural area under this section, if any  
8        part of a renaissance zone is located within an urban area, the  
9        entire renaissance zone shall be considered to be located in an

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1 urban area.

2 (2) The board of the Michigan strategic fund described in  
3 section 4 of the Michigan strategic fund act, 1984 PA 270, MCL  
4 125.2004, may designate not more than —10— [13] additional  
5 renaissance zones within this state in 1 or more cities, villages,  
6 or townships if that city, village, or township or combination of  
7 cities, villages, or townships consents to the creation of a  
8 renaissance zone within their boundaries. The board of the Michigan  
9 strategic fund may designate not more than 1 of the —10— [13]  
10 additional renaissance zones described in this subsection as an  
11 alternative energy zone. An alternative energy zone shall promote  
12 and increase the research, development, and manufacturing of  
13 alternative energy technology as that term is defined in the  
14 Michigan next energy authority act. An alternative energy zone  
15 shall have a duration of renaissance zone status for a period not  
16 to exceed 20 years as determined by the board of the Michigan  
17 strategic fund. Not later than April 16, 2004, the board of the  
18 Michigan strategic fund may designate not more than 1 of the —10—  
19 [13] additional renaissance zones described in this subsection as a  
20 pharmaceutical renaissance zone. A pharmaceutical renaissance zone  
21 shall promote and increase the research, development, and  
22 manufacturing of pharmaceutical products of an eligible  
23 pharmaceutical company. The board of the Michigan strategic fund  
24 may designate not more than —5— [8] of the additional —10— [13]  
25 renaissance zones described in this subsection as a redevelopment  
26 renaissance zone. A redevelopment renaissance zone shall promote  
27 the redevelopment of existing industrial facilities [OR THE DEVELOPMENT  
OF INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY]. Before

1 designating a renaissance zone under this subsection, the board of  
2 the Michigan strategic fund may enter into a development agreement  
3 with the city, township, or village in which the renaissance zone  
4 will be located.

5                 (3) In addition to the not more than 9 additional renaissance  
6 zones described in subsection (1), the board may designate  
7 additional renaissance zones within this state in 1 or more  
8 qualified local governmental units if that qualified local  
9 governmental unit or units contain a military installation that was  
10 operated by the United States department of defense and was closed  
11 in 1977 or after 1990.

12                 (4) Land owned by a county or the qualified local governmental  
13 unit or units adjacent to a zone as described in subsection (3) may  
14 be included in this zone.

15                 (5) Notwithstanding any other provision of this act, property  
16 located in the alternative energy zone that is classified as  
17 commercial real property under section 34c of the general property  
18 tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.34c, and that the authority, with the  
19 concurrence of the assessor of the local tax collecting unit,  
20 determines is not used to directly promote and increase the  
21 research, development, and manufacturing of alternative energy  
22 technology is not eligible for any exemption, deduction, or credit  
23 under section 9.

24                 (6) As used in this section:

25                     (a) "Eligible pharmaceutical company" means a company that  
26 meets all of the following criteria:

27                         (i) Is engaged primarily in manufacturing, research and

1 development, and sale of pharmaceuticals.

2 (ii) Has not less than 8,499 employees located in this state,  
3 all of whom are located within a 100-mile radius of each other.

4 (iii) Of the total number of employees located in this state,  
5 has not less than 4,800 engaged primarily in research and  
6 development of pharmaceuticals.

7 (b) "Redevelopment renaissance zone" means a renaissance zone  
8 that meets 1 of the following:

9 (i) All of the following:

10 (A) Is located in a city with a population of more than 7,500  
11 and less than 8,500 and is located in a county with a population of  
12 more than 60,000 and less than 70,000.

13 (B) Contains **ONLY ALL OR A PORTION OF** an industrial site of  
14 200 or more acres.

15 (ii) All of the following:

16 (A) Is located in a city with a population of more than 13,000  
17 and less than 14,000 and is located in a county with a population  
18 of more than 1,000,000 and less than 1,300,000.

19 (B) Contains **ONLY ALL OR A PORTION OF** an industrial site of  
20 300 or more contiguous acres.

21 (iii) All of the following:

22 (A) Is located in a township with a population of more than  
23 5,500 and is located in a county with a population of less than  
24 24,000.

25 (B) Contains **ONLY ALL OR A PORTION OF** an industrial site of  
26 more than 850 acres and has railroad access.

27 (iv) All of the following:

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(A) Is located in a city with a population of more than 40,000 and less than 44,000 and is located in a county with a population of more than 81,000 and less than 87,000.

(B) Contains **ONLY ALL OR A PORTION OF** an industrial site of more than 475 acres.

(v) All of the following:

(A) Is located in a city with a population of more than 21,000 and less than 26,000 and is located in a county with a population of more than 573,000 and less than 625,000.

(B) Contains **ONLY ALL OR A PORTION OF** an industrial site of less than 45 acres in size.

(vi) **ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:**

(A) IS LOCATED IN A CITY WITH A POPULATION OF MORE THAN 190,000 AND LESS THAN 250,000 AND IS LOCATED IN A COUNTY WITH A POPULATION OF MORE THAN 573,000 AND LESS THAN 625,000.

(B) CONTAINS ONLY ALL OR A PORTION OF AN INDUSTRIAL SITE OF MORE THAN 14 ACRES AND LESS THAN 16 ACRES IN SIZE.

(C) IS APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF THE MICHIGAN STRATEGIC FUND ON OR BEFORE APRIL 1, 2007.

[ (vii) **ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:**

(A) IS LOCATED IN A CITY WITH A POPULATION OF MORE THAN 35,500 AND LESS THAN 36,800 AND IS LOCATED IN A COUNTY WITH A POPULATION OF MORE THAN 157,000 AND LESS THAN 162,000.

(B) CONTAINS ONLY ALL OR A PORTION OF AN INDUSTRIAL SITE COMPRISED OF 1 OR MORE ADJACENT PARCELS TOTALING 5 OR MORE ACRES.

(C) IS APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF THE MICHIGAN STRATEGIC FUND ON OR BEFORE APRIL 1, 2008.

(viii) **ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:**

(A) IS LOCATED IN A CITY WITH A POPULATION OF MORE THAN 40,000 AND LESS THAN 44,000 AND IS LOCATED IN A COUNTY WITH A POPULATION OF MORE THAN 81,000 AND LESS THAN 87,000.

(B) CONTAINS ONLY ALL OR A PORTION OF AN INDUSTRIAL SITE COMPRISED OF 1 OR MORE ADJACENT PARCELS TOTALING 100 OR MORE ACRES.

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