

HOUSE BILL No. 5091

August 17, 2005, Introduced by Rep. Caul and referred to the Committee on Tax Policy.

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled
"Income tax act of 1967,"
(MCL 206.1 to 206.532) by adding section 437.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 SEC. 437. (1) FOR THE 2005 TAX YEAR AND EACH TAX YEAR AFTER
2 THE 2005 TAX YEAR, AN INDIVIDUAL MAY DESIGNATE ON HIS OR HER ANNUAL
3 RETURN THAT A CONTRIBUTION OF \$2.00 OR MORE OF HIS OR HER REFUND BE
4 CREDITED TO THE MICHIGAN HIGHER EDUCATION ASSISTANCE AUTHORITY
5 CREATED IN SECTION 1 OF 1960 PA 77, MCL 390.951, FOR THE CHILDREN
6 OF VETERANS TUITION PROGRAM. IF AN INDIVIDUAL'S REFUND IS NOT
7 SUFFICIENT TO MAKE A CONTRIBUTION UNDER THIS SECTION, THE
8 INDIVIDUAL MAY DESIGNATE A CONTRIBUTION AMOUNT AND THAT
9 CONTRIBUTION AMOUNT SHALL BE ADDED TO THE INDIVIDUAL'S TAX

1 LIABILITY FOR THE TAX YEAR.

2 (2) THE TAX DESIGNATION AUTHORIZED IN THIS SECTION SHALL BE
3 CLEARLY AND UNAMBIGUOUSLY PRINTED ON THE FIRST PAGE OF THE STATE
4 INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX RETURN FORMS, IF PRACTICAL.

5 (3) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER ALLOCATIONS OR DISBURSEMENTS
6 REQUIRED BY THIS ACT, EACH YEAR THAT THE CONTRIBUTION DESIGNATION
7 UNDER THIS SECTION IS IN EFFECT, AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE CUMULATIVE
8 CONTRIBUTIONS MADE UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE APPROPRIATED FROM
9 THE GENERAL FUND TO THE CHILDREN OF VETERANS TUITION PROGRAM OF THE
10 MICHIGAN HIGHER EDUCATION ASSISTANCE AUTHORITY, AND THE FUNDS SHALL
11 BE DISTRIBUTED FOR PROGRAMS ALLOWED UNDER THE CHILDREN OF VETERANS
12 TUITION ACT. NO MONEY FROM THE CONTRIBUTIONS MADE PURSUANT TO THIS
13 SECTION SHALL BE USED FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADMINISTERING THIS
14 SECTION.