HOUSE BILL No. 5817

March 2, 2006, Introduced by Reps. Tobocman, Drolet, Jones, Gosselin, Stahl, Brandenburg, Baxter, Elsenheimer, Mortimer, Rocca, Lipsey and Acciavatti and referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

A bill to amend 1965 PA 40, entitled

"An act to authorize and require public agencies to pay allowances for the expense of moving personal property from real property acquired for public purposes,"

by amending section 2 (MCL 213.352), as amended by 1991 PA 21.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 2. (1) An occupant who vacates real property on or after
- 2 May 15, 1965, pursuant to the provisions of a written agreement to
- 3 purchase the property or pursuant to the provisions of a written
- 4 agreement for possession and use of the property or pursuant to the
- 5 transfer of title to the property in condemnation proceedings,
- 6 shall be reimbursed by the public agency for the reasonable and
- 7 necessary moving expense for moving his or her personal property
 - not more than 50 miles, subject to the following conditions:

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- 1 (a) The maximum payment to an individual or family shall not
- 2 exceed $\frac{\$1,000.00}{\$5,200.00}$. The maximum payment to a business,
- 3 including the operation of a farm, or a nonprofit organization
- 4 shall not exceed \$15,000.00.
- 5 (b) An individual or a family may elect to receive a fixed
- 6 moving allowance, in lieu of actual moving expense, based on a
- 7 schedule of payments established by the acquiring agency taking
- 8 into consideration the maximum payment allowed, the number of rooms
- 9 and other factors.
- 10 (C) AN OCCUPANT OF RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY WHO HAS A LEASEHOLD
- 11 INTEREST OF LESS THAN 6 MONTHS IS ENTITLED TO A FIXED MOVING
- 12 ALLOWANCE OF \$5,200.00.
- 13 (D) (c) No payment PAYMENT shall NOT be made to an occupant
- 14 until after the occupant has vacated the real property UNLESS THE
- 15 PAYMENT IS REQUIRED TO ENABLE THE OCCUPANT TO RELOCATE.
- 16 (2) As used in this section, "personal property" does not
- 17 include a fixture, whether removable or not.
- 18 (3) THE COURT MAY AWARD REASONABLE ATTORNEY FEES AND COSTS TO
- 19 AN INDIVIDUAL DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (2)(C) WHO BRINGS A
- 20 SUCCESSFUL ACTION TO RECOVER THE \$5,200.00 MOVING ALLOWANCE
- 21 PROVIDED FOR IN SUBSECTION (2)(C).
- 22 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
- 23 unless all of the following bills of the 93rd Legislature are
- 24 enacted into law:
- 25 (a) Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. 5821(request no.
- 26 05069'05).
- 27 (b) Senate Bill No.____ or House Bill No. 5818(request no.

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- 2 (c) Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. 5819(request no.
- **3** 06018'06).
- 4 (d) Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. 5820(request no.
- **5** 06019'06).

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