

# HOUSE BILL No. 5848

March 9, 2006, Introduced by Reps. Proos, Huizenga, Baxter and Nitz and referred to the Committee on Commerce.

A bill to amend 1996 PA 376, entitled  
"Michigan renaissance zone act,"  
by amending section 6 (MCL 125.2686), as amended by 2004 PA 430.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1       Sec. 6. (1) The board shall review all recommendations  
2       submitted by the review board and determine which applications meet  
3       the criteria contained in section 7.

4       (2) The board shall do all of the following:

5       (a) Designate renaissance zones.

6       (b) Subject to subsection (3), approve or reject the duration  
7       of renaissance zone status.

8       (c) Subject to subsection (3), approve or reject the  
9       geographic boundaries and the total area of the renaissance zone as  
10      submitted in the application.

1           (3) The board shall not alter the geographic boundaries of the  
2 renaissance zone or the duration of renaissance zone status  
3 described in the application unless the qualified local  
4 governmental unit or units and the local governmental unit or units  
5 in which the renaissance zone is to be located consent by  
6 resolution to the alteration.

7           (4) The board shall not designate a renaissance zone under  
8 section 8 before November 1, 1996 or after December 31, 1996.

9           (5) The designation of a renaissance zone under this act shall  
10 take effect on January 1 in the year following designation.  
11 However, for purposes of the taxes exempted under section 9(2), the  
12 designation of a renaissance zone under this act shall take effect  
13 on December 31 in the year of designation.

14           (6) The board shall not designate a renaissance zone under  
15 section 8a after December 31, 2002.

16           (7) Through December 31, 2002, a qualified local governmental  
17 unit in which a renaissance zone was designated under section 8 or  
18 8a may modify the boundaries of that renaissance zone to include  
19 contiguous parcels of property as determined by the qualified local  
20 governmental unit and approval by the review board. The additional  
21 contiguous parcels of property included in a renaissance zone under  
22 this subsection do not constitute an additional distinct geographic  
23 area under section 4(1)(d). If the boundaries of the renaissance  
24 zone are modified as provided in this subsection, the additional  
25 contiguous parcels of property shall become part of the original  
26 renaissance zone on the same terms and conditions as the original  
27 designation of that renaissance zone.

1           (8) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this act, before  
2 July 1, 2004, a qualified local governmental unit in which a  
3 renaissance zone was designated under section 8a(1) as a  
4 renaissance zone located in a rural area may modify the boundaries  
5 of that renaissance zone to include a contiguous parcel of property  
6 as determined by the qualified local governmental unit. The  
7 contiguous parcel of property shall only include property that is  
8 less than .5 acres in size and that the qualified local  
9 governmental unit previously sought to have included in the zone by  
10 submitting an application in February 2002 that was not acted upon  
11 by the review board. The additional contiguous parcel of property  
12 included in a renaissance zone under this subsection does not  
13 constitute an additional distinct geographic area under section  
14 4(1)(d). If the boundaries of the renaissance zone are modified as  
15 provided in this subsection, the additional contiguous parcel of  
16 property shall become part of the original renaissance zone on the  
17 same terms and conditions as the rest of the property in that  
18 renaissance zone.

19           (9) A business that is located and conducts business activity  
20 within a renaissance zone designated under section 8(1) and (2),  
21 8a(1) and (3), 8c(1), or 8d(1) shall not make a payment in lieu of  
22 taxes to any taxing jurisdiction within the qualified local  
23 governmental unit in which the renaissance zone is located.

24           **(10) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT, BEFORE**  
25 **JULY 1, 2006, A QUALIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNIT IN WHICH A**  
26 **RENAISSANCE ZONE OF LESS THAN 50 CONTIGUOUS ACRES BUT MORE THAN 20**  
27 **CONTIGUOUS ACRES WAS DESIGNATED UNDER SECTION 8 OR 8A AS A**

1 RENAISSANCE ZONE IN A CITY LOCATED IN A COUNTY WITH A POPULATION OF  
2 MORE THAN 160,000 AND LESS THAN 170,000 MAY MODIFY THE BOUNDARIES  
3 OF THAT RENAISSANCE ZONE TO INCLUDE A CONTIGUOUS PARCEL OF PROPERTY  
4 AS DETERMINED BY THE QUALIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNIT. THE  
5 CONTIGUOUS PARCEL OF PROPERTY SHALL ONLY INCLUDE PROPERTY THAT IS  
6 LESS THAN 12 ACRES IN SIZE. THE ADDITIONAL CONTIGUOUS PARCEL OF  
7 PROPERTY INCLUDED IN A RENAISSANCE ZONE UNDER THIS SUBSECTION DOES  
8 NOT CONSTITUTE AN ADDITIONAL DISTINCT GEOGRAPHIC AREA UNDER SECTION  
9 4(1)(D). IF THE BOUNDARIES OF THE RENAISSANCE ZONE ARE MODIFIED AS  
10 PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION, THE ADDITIONAL CONTIGUOUS PARCEL OF  
11 PROPERTY SHALL BECOME PART OF THE ORIGINAL RENAISSANCE ZONE ON THE  
12 SAME TERMS AND CONDITIONS AS THE REST OF THE PROPERTY IN THAT  
13 RENAISSANCE ZONE.