

# HOUSE BILL No. 5942

March 30, 2006, Introduced by Reps. Palsrok, Huizenga, Hummel, Marleau, Accavitti, Caswell, Hansen, Tobocman, Byrum, Emmons, Farhat, Stahl, Pastor, Condino, Bieda, Clemente and Lemmons, III and referred to the Committee on Commerce.

A bill to amend 1996 PA 376, entitled  
"Michigan renaissance zone act,"  
by amending sections 4 and 11 (MCL 125.2684 and 125.2691), section  
4 as amended by 2002 PA 477.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1       Sec. 4. (1) One or more qualified local governmental units may  
2       apply to the review board to designate the qualified local  
3       governmental unit or units as a renaissance zone if all of the  
4       following criteria are met:

5       (a) The geographic area of the proposed renaissance zone is  
6       located within the boundaries of the qualified local governmental  
7       unit or units that apply.

8       (b) The application includes a development plan.

1 (c) The proposed renaissance zone is not more than 5,000 acres  
2 in size.

3 (d) The renaissance zone does not contain more than 10  
4 distinct geographic areas. Except as otherwise provided in this  
5 subdivision, the minimum size of a distinct geographic area is not  
6 less than 5 acres. A qualified local governmental unit or units may  
7 designate not more than 4 distinct geographic areas in each  
8 renaissance zone to have no minimum size requirement.

9 (e) The application includes the proposed duration of  
10 renaissance zone status, not to exceed 15 years, except as  
11 otherwise provided in this section.

12 (f) If the qualified local governmental unit has an elected  
13 county executive, the county executive's written approval of the  
14 application.

15 (g) If the qualified local governmental unit is a city, that  
16 city's mayor's written approval of the application.

17 (2) A qualified local governmental unit may submit not more  
18 than 1 application to the review board for designation as a  
19 renaissance zone. A resolution provided by a city, village, or  
20 township under section 7(2) does not constitute an application of a  
21 city, village, or township for a renaissance zone under this act.

22 (3) For a distinct geographic area described in subsection  
23 (1)(d), a village may include publicly owned land within the  
24 boundaries of any distinct geographic area.

25 (4) Through ~~December 31, 2002~~ **DECEMBER 31, 2006**, a qualified  
26 local governmental unit or units in which a renaissance zone was  
27 designated under section 8 or ~~8a~~ **8A(1) OR (3)** may designate

1 additional distinct geographic areas not to exceed a total of 10  
2 distinct geographic areas upon application to and approval by the  
3 board **OF THE MICHIGAN STRATEGIC FUND IF THE ADDITIONAL DISTINCT  
4 GEOGRAPHIC AREAS WILL INCREASE CAPITAL INVESTMENT AND JOB CREATION.**

5 The duration of renaissance zone status for the additional distinct  
6 geographic areas shall not exceed 15 years. ~~except as provided in~~  
7 ~~subsection (5).~~

8 (5) ~~If~~ **THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2002, IF** a qualified local  
9 governmental unit or units designate additional distinct geographic  
10 areas in a renaissance zone under subsection (4), the qualified  
11 local governmental unit or units may extend the duration of the  
12 renaissance zone status of 1 or more distinct geographic areas in  
13 that renaissance zone until 2017 upon application to and approval  
14 by the board.

15 (6) Through December 31, 2002, a qualified local governmental  
16 unit or units in which a renaissance zone was designated under  
17 section 8 or 8a may, upon application to and approval by the board,  
18 seek to extend the duration of renaissance zone status until 2017.  
19 Upon application, the board may extend the duration of renaissance  
20 zone status.

21 (7) **THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2006, A QUALIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL  
22 UNIT OR UNITS IN WHICH A RENAISSANCE ZONE WAS DESIGNATED UNDER  
23 SECTION 8 OR 8A(1) OR (3) MAY, UPON APPLICATION TO AND APPROVAL BY  
24 THE BOARD OF THE MICHIGAN STRATEGIC FUND, SEEK TO EXTEND THE  
25 DURATION OF RENAISSANCE ZONE STATUS FOR 1 OR MORE PORTIONS OF THE  
26 RENAISSANCE ZONE IF ADDITIONAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT AND JOB CREATION  
27 WILL OCCUR AS A RESULT OF THE EXTENSION. THE BOARD OF THE MICHIGAN**

1 STRATEGIC FUND MAY EXTEND RENAISSANCE ZONE STATUS FOR 1 OR MORE  
2 PORTIONS OF THE RENAISSANCE ZONE UNDER THIS SUBSECTION FOR A PERIOD  
3 OF TIME NOT TO EXCEED 5 YEARS FROM THE DATE OF THE APPLICATION TO  
4 THE BOARD OF THE MICHIGAN STRATEGIC FUND UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.

5 Sec. 11. The form of the application for a renaissance zone  
6 designation shall be as specified by the Michigan ~~jobs commission~~  
7 **STRATEGIC FUND**. After the form of the application is specified by  
8 the Michigan ~~jobs commission~~ **STRATEGIC FUND**, the Michigan ~~jobs~~  
9 ~~commission~~ **STRATEGIC FUND** shall file a copy of the application  
10 with each house of the legislature. The board may request any  
11 information from an applicant, in addition to that contained in an  
12 application, as may be needed to permit the board to discharge its  
13 responsibilities under this act.