

# SENATE BILL No. 727

September 6, 2005, Introduced by Senators GARCIA, GOSCHKA, BARCIA, HARDIMAN and VAN WOERKOM and referred to the Committee on Economic Development, Small Business and Regulatory Reform.

A bill to create certain offices in the Michigan economic development corporation; and to impose certain duties and responsibilities on those officers and on certain state employees and public employees.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1       Sec. 1. As used in this act:

2       (a) "Michigan economic development corporation" means the  
3 public body corporate created under section 28 of article VII of  
4 the state constitution of 1963 and the urban cooperation act of  
5 1967, 1967 (Ex Sess) PA 7, MCL 124.501 to 124.512, by a contractual  
6 interlocal agreement effective April 5, 1999 between local  
7 participating economic development corporations formed under the  
8 economic development corporations act, 1974 PA 338, MCL 125.1601 to

1 125.1636, and the Michigan strategic fund.

2 (b) "Office" or "office of defense and homeland security  
3 business opportunities" means the office of defense and homeland  
4 security business opportunities created in section 2.

5 Sec. 2. (1) The office of defense and homeland security  
6 business opportunities is created in the Michigan economic  
7 development corporation. The office shall report directly to the  
8 president of the Michigan economic development corporation.

9 (2) The office shall do all of the following:

10 (a) Focus solely on job creation and job retention from  
11 business opportunities associated with defense and homeland  
12 security contracts.

13 (b) Coordinate with procurement technical assistance centers  
14 in this state to maximize business opportunities for businesses  
15 located in this state.

16 (c) Give priority to bring business opportunities to counties  
17 hardest hit by manufacturing layoffs.

18 (d) Set a performance objective of increasing defense and  
19 homeland security contracts awarded to businesses located in this  
20 state by 25%.

21 (e) Provide resources needed to meet the performance objective  
22 described in subdivision (d) within 1 year.