

SENATE BILL No. 808

October 12, 2005, Introduced by Senators GARCIA, BIRKHOLZ, JACOBS, BRATER and CLARKE
and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend 1972 PA 348, entitled

"An act to regulate relationships between landlords and tenants relative to rental agreements for rental units; to regulate the payment, repayment, use and investment of security deposits; to provide for commencement and termination inventories of rental units; to provide for termination arrangements relative to rental units; to provide for legal remedies; and to provide penalties,"

(MCL 554.601 to 554.616) by adding section 1b.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 SEC. 1B. A RENTAL AGREEMENT SHALL PROVIDE THAT A TENANT WHO IS
2 A VICTIM OF DOMESTIC ASSAULT WHILE THAT PERSON IS A TENANT MAY
3 TERMINATE A LEASE EFFECTIVE UPON SUBMITTAL OF WRITTEN NOTICE OF
4 TERMINATION AND WRITTEN EVIDENCE THAT THE TENANT IS A VICTIM OF
5 DOMESTIC ASSAULT.

6 (2) PROVISION OF A POLICE REPORT THAT INDICATES THAT THE

1 TENANT WAS A VICTIM OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OR A VALID PERSONAL
2 PROTECTION ORDER ISSUED BY A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION SHALL
3 SATISFY THE REQUIREMENT OF SUBSECTION (1) THAT THE TENANT PROVIDE
4 WRITTEN EVIDENCE THAT HE OR SHE IS A VICTIM OF DOMESTIC ASSAULT.

5 (3) THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY TO LEASES ENTERED INTO, RENEWED,
6 OR RENEGOTIATED AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE AMENDATORY ACT THAT
7 ADDED THIS SECTION.