HOUSE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 1009

A bill to amend 2007 PA 36, entitled "Michigan business tax act," by amending section 207 (MCL 208.1207).

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 207. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section,
- 2 the following are exempt from the tax imposed by this act:
- 3 (a) The United States, this state, other states, and the
- 4 agencies, political subdivisions, and enterprises of the United
- 5 States, this state, and other states, including any grantor trust
- 6 established by a municipality with the municipality as the grantor
- 7 and exempt from federal income tax under the internal revenue code.
- 8 (b) A person who is exempt from federal income tax under the
- 9 internal revenue code, and a partnership, limited liability
- 10 company, joint venture, general partnership, limited partnership,

- 1 unincorporated association, or other group or combination of
- 2 entities acting as a unit if the activities of the entity are
- 3 exclusively related to the charitable, educational, or other
- 4 purpose or function that is the basis for the exemption under the
- 5 internal revenue code from federal income taxation of the partners
- 6 or members and if all of the partners or members of the entity are
- 7 exempt from federal income tax under the internal revenue code,
- 8 except the following:
- 9 (i) An organization included under section 501(c)(12) or
- 10 501(c)(16) of the internal revenue code.
- 11 (ii) An organization exempt under section 501(c)(4) of the
- 12 internal revenue code that would be exempt under section 501(c)(12)
- 13 of the internal revenue code except that it failed to meet the
- 14 requirements in section 501(c)(12) that 85% or more of its income
- 15 consist of amounts collected from members.
- 16 (iii) The tax base attributable to the activities giving rise to
- 17 the unrelated taxable business income of an exempt person.
- 18 (c) A nonprofit cooperative housing corporation. As used in
- 19 this subdivision, "nonprofit cooperative housing corporation" means
- 20 a cooperative housing corporation that is engaged in providing
- 21 housing services to its stockholders and members and that does not
- 22 pay dividends or interest on stock or membership investment but
- 23 that does distribute all earnings to its stockholders or members.
- 24 The exemption under this subdivision does not apply to a business
- 25 activity of a nonprofit cooperative housing corporation other than
- 26 providing housing services to its stockholders and members.
- 27 (d) That portion of the tax base attributable to the

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- 1 production of agricultural goods by a person whose primary activity
- 2 is the production of agricultural goods. "Production of
- 3 agricultural goods" means commercial farming, including, but not
- 4 limited to, cultivation of the soil; growing and harvesting of an
- 5 agricultural, horticultural, or floricultural commodity; dairying;
- 6 raising of livestock, bees, fish, fur-bearing animals, or poultry;
- 7 or turf or tree farming, but does not include the marketing at
- 8 retail of agricultural goods except for sales of nursery stock
- 9 grown by the seller and sold to a nursery dealer licensed under
- 10 section 9 of the insect pest and plant disease act, 1931 PA 189,
- **11** MCL 286.209.
- 12 (e) Except as provided in subsection (2), a farmers'
- 13 cooperative corporation organized within the limitations of section
- 14 98 of 1931 PA 327, MCL 450.98, that was at any time exempt under
- 15 subdivision (b) because the corporation was exempt from federal
- 16 income taxes under section 521 of the internal revenue code and
- 17 that would continue to be exempt under section 521 of the internal
- 18 revenue code except for either of the following activities:
- 19 (i) The corporation's repurchase from nonproducer customers of
- 20 portions or components of commodities the corporation markets to
- 21 those nonproducer customers and the corporation's subsequent
- 22 manufacturing or marketing of the repurchased portions or
- 23 components of the commodities.
- (ii) The corporation's incidental or emergency purchases of
- 25 commodities from nonproducers to facilitate the manufacturing or
- 26 marketing of commodities purchased from producers.
- 27 (f) That portion of the tax base attributable to the direct

- 1 and indirect marketing activities of a farmers' cooperative
- 2 corporation organized within the limitations of section 98 of 1931
- 3 PA 327, MCL 450.98, if those marketing activities are provided on
- 4 behalf of the members of that corporation and are related to the
- 5 members' direct sales of their products to third parties or, for
- 6 livestock, are related to the members' direct or indirect sales of
- 7 that product to third parties. Marketing activities for a product
- 8 that is not livestock are not exempt under this subdivision if the
- 9 farmers' cooperative corporation takes physical possession of the
- 10 product. As used in this subdivision, "marketing activities" means
- 11 activities that include, but are not limited to, all of the
- 12 following:
- 13 (i) Activities under the agricultural commodities marketing
- 14 act, 1965 PA 232, MCL 290.651 to 290.674, and the agricultural
- 15 marketing and bargaining act, 1972 PA 344, MCL 290.701 to 290.726.
- 16 (ii) Dissemination of market information.
- 17 (iii) Establishment of price and other terms of trade.
- 18 (iv) Promotion.
- (v) Research relating to members' products.
- 20 (q) That portion of the tax base attributable to the services
- 21 provided by an attorney-in-fact to a reciprocal insurer pursuant to
- 22 chapter 72 of the insurance code of 1956, 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.7200
- 23 to 500.7234.
- 24 (h) That portion of the tax base attributable to a multiple
- 25 employer welfare arrangement that provides dental benefits only and
- 26 that has a certificate of authority under chapter 70 of the
- 27 insurance code of 1956, 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.7001 to 500.7090.

- 1 (I) A FOREIGN PERSON IS NOT SUBJECT TO TAXATION UNDER THIS ACT
- 2 IF THE FOREIGN PERSON IS DOMICILED IN A SUBNATIONAL JURISDICTION
- 3 THAT DOES NOT IMPOSE AN INCOME TAX ON A SIMILARLY SITUATED PERSON
- 4 DOMICILED IN THIS STATE WHOSE PRESENCE IN THE FOREIGN COUNTRY IS
- 5 THE SAME AS THE FOREIGN PERSON'S PRESENCE IN THE UNITED STATES. IF
- 6 A FOREIGN PERSON IS DOMICILED IN A SUBNATIONAL JURISDICTION THAT
- 7 DOES NOT IMPOSE AN INCOME TAX ON BUSINESSES, BUT INSTEAD IMPOSES
- 8 SOME OTHER TYPE OF SUBNATIONAL BUSINESS TAX, THAT FOREIGN PERSON IS
- 9 NOT SUBJECT TO TAXATION UNDER THIS ACT IF THAT SUBNATIONAL BUSINESS
- 10 TAX IS NOT IMPOSED ON A SIMILARLY SITUATED PERSON DOMICILED IN THIS
- 11 STATE WHOSE PRESENCE IN THE FOREIGN COUNTRY IS THE SAME AS THE
- 12 FOREIGN PERSON'S PRESENCE IN THE UNITED STATES.
- 13 (2) Subsection (1)(e) does not exempt a farmers' cooperative
- 14 corporation if the total dollar value of the farmers' cooperative
- 15 corporation's incidental and emergency purchases described in
- 16 subsection (1)(e)(ii) are equal to or greater than 5% of the
- 17 corporation's total purchases.
- 18 (3) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a farmers'
- 19 cooperative corporation that is structured to allocate net earnings
- 20 in the form of patronage dividends as defined in section 1388 of
- 21 the internal revenue code to its farmer or farmer cooperative
- 22 corporation patrons shall exclude from its adjusted tax base the
- 23 revenue and expenses attributable to business transacted with its
- 24 farmer or farmer cooperative corporation patrons.
- 25 (4) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS ACT TO THE
- 26 CONTRARY, A FOREIGN PERSON SUBJECT TO TAX UNDER THIS ACT SHALL
- 27 CALCULATE ITS BUSINESS INCOME TAX BASE AND MODIFIED GROSS RECEIPTS

- 1 TAX BASE UNDER THIS SECTION. EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS
- 2 SECTION, THE BUSINESS INCOME TAX BASE AND MODIFIED GROSS RECEIPTS
- 3 TAX BASE OF A FOREIGN PERSON IS SUBJECT TO ALL ADJUSTMENTS AND
- 4 OTHER PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT. HOWEVER, NEITHER THE BUSINESS INCOME
- 5 TAX BASE NOR THE MODIFIED GROSS RECEIPTS TAX BASE SHALL INCLUDE
- 6 PROCEEDS FROM SALES WHERE TITLE PASSES OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES.
- 7 (5) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION, THE MODIFIED
- 8 GROSS RECEIPTS TAX BASE OF A FOREIGN PERSON INCLUDES THE SUM OF
- 9 GROSS RECEIPTS AND THE ADJUSTMENTS UNDER SECTION 203 THAT ARE
- 10 RELATED TO UNITED STATES BUSINESS ACTIVITY.
- 11 (6) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION, THE BUSINESS
- 12 INCOME TAX BASE OF A FOREIGN PERSON INCLUDES THE SUM OF BUSINESS
- 13 INCOME AND THE ADJUSTMENTS UNDER SECTION 201 THAT ARE RELATED TO
- 14 UNITED STATES BUSINESS ACTIVITY.
- 15 (7) THE SALES FACTOR FOR A FOREIGN PERSON IS A FRACTION, THE
- 16 NUMERATOR OF WHICH IS THE TAXPAYER'S TOTAL SALES IN THIS STATE
- 17 WHERE TITLE PASSES INSIDE THE UNITED STATES DURING THE TAX YEAR AND
- 18 THE DENOMINATOR OF WHICH IS THE TAXPAYER'S TOTAL SALES IN THE
- 19 UNITED STATES WHERE TITLE PASSES INSIDE THE UNITED STATES DURING
- 20 THE TAX YEAR.
- 21 (8) (4)—As used in subsection (1)(b), "exclusively"—THIS
- 22 SECTION:
- 23 (A) "BUSINESS INCOME" MEANS, FOR A FOREIGN PERSON, GROSS
- 24 INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE TAXPAYER'S UNITED STATES BUSINESS
- 25 ACTIVITY AND GROSS INCOME DERIVED FROM SOURCES WITHIN THE UNITED
- 26 STATES MINUS THE DEDUCTIONS ALLOWED UNDER THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE
- 27 THAT ARE RELATED TO THAT GROSS INCOME. GROSS INCOME INCLUDES THE

- 1 PROCEEDS FROM SALES SHIPPED OR DELIVERED TO ANY PURCHASER WITHIN
- 2 THE UNITED STATES AND FOR WHICH TITLE TRANSFERS WITHIN THE UNITED
- 3 STATES; PROCEEDS FROM SERVICES PERFORMED WITHIN THE UNITED STATES;
- 4 AND A PRO RATA PROPORTION OF THE PROCEEDS FROM SERVICES PERFORMED
- 5 BOTH WITHIN AND OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES TO THE EXTENT THE
- 6 RECIPIENT RECEIVES BENEFIT OF THE SERVICES WITHIN THE UNITED
- 7 STATES.
- 8 (B) "DOMICILED" MEANS THE LOCATION OF THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE
- 9 TRADE OR BUSINESS FROM WHICH THE TRADE OR BUSINESS OF THE FOREIGN
- 10 PERSON IS PRINCIPALLY MANAGED AND DIRECTED.
- 11 (C) FOR SUBSECTION (1)(B), "EXCLUSIVELY" means that term as
- 12 applied for purposes of section 501(c)(3) of the internal revenue
- 13 code.
- 14 (D) "FOREIGN PERSON" MEANS EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 15 (i) AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS NOT A UNITED STATES RESIDENT, WHETHER
- 16 OR NOT THE INDIVIDUAL IS SUBJECT TO TAXATION UNDER THE INTERNAL
- 17 REVENUE CODE.
- 18 (ii) A PERSON FORMED UNDER THE LAWS OF A FOREIGN COUNTRY OR A
- 19 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF A FOREIGN COUNTRY, WHETHER OR NOT THE
- 20 PERSON IS SUBJECT TO TAXATION UNDER THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.
- 21 (E) "GROSS RECEIPTS" MEANS, FOR A FOREIGN PERSON, GROSS
- 22 RECEIPTS AS DEFINED IN SECTION 111(1) FROM UNITED STATES BUSINESS
- 23 ACTIVITY OR FROM SOURCES WITHIN THE UNITED STATES. GROSS RECEIPTS
- 24 INCLUDE ALL SALES FOR WHICH TITLE TRANSFERS WITHIN THE UNITED
- 25 STATES; PROCEEDS FROM ALL SERVICES PERFORMED WITHIN THE UNITED
- 26 STATES; AND A PRO RATA PORTION OF PROCEEDS FROM SERVICES PERFORMED
- 27 BOTH WITHIN AND OUTSIDE OF THE UNITED STATES TO THE EXTENT THE

- Senate Bill No. 1009 (H-3) as amended December 18, 2008
- 1 RECIPIENT RECEIVES BENEFIT OF THE SERVICES WITHIN THE UNITED
- 2 STATES.
- 3 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act is retroactive and
- 4 effective January 1, 2008 and applies to all business activity
- 5 occurring after December 31, 2007.

[Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect unless Senate Bill No. 1038 of the 94th Legislature is enacted into law.]