SENATE BILL No. 940

November 29, 2007, Introduced by Senator BROWN and referred to the Committee on Finance.

A bill to amend 1939 PA 3, entitled

"An act to provide for the regulation and control of public and certain private utilities and other services affected with a public interest within this state; to provide for alternative energy suppliers; to provide for licensing; to include municipally owned utilities and other providers of energy under certain provisions of this act; to create a public service commission and to prescribe and define its powers and duties; to abolish the Michigan public utilities commission and to confer the powers and duties vested by law on the public service commission; to provide for the continuance, transfer, and completion of certain matters and proceedings; to abolish automatic adjustment clauses; to prohibit certain rate increases without notice and hearing; to qualify residential energy conservation programs permitted under state law for certain federal exemption; to create a fund; to provide for a restructuring of the manner in which energy is provided in this state; to encourage the utilization of resource recovery facilities; to prohibit certain acts and practices of providers of energy; to allow for the securitization of stranded costs; to reduce rates; to provide for appeals; to provide appropriations; to declare the effect and purpose of this act; to prescribe remedies and penalties; and to repeal acts and parts of acts,"

by amending section 100 (MCL 460.100), as added by 2000 PA 142.

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 10o. (1) The acquisition, ownership, and disposition of
- 2 any direct interest in any securitization bond shall not be taken
- 3 into account in determining whether a person is subject to any
- 4 income tax, single business tax, franchise tax, business activities
- 5 tax, intangible property tax, excise tax, stamp tax, or any other
- 6 tax imposed by this state or any agency or political subdivision of
- 7 this state.
- 8 (2) Any successor to an electric utility, whether pursuant to
- 9 any bankruptcy, reorganization, or other insolvency proceeding or
- 10 pursuant to any merger or acquisition, sale or transfer, by
- 11 operation of law, as a result of electric utility restructuring or
- 12 otherwise, shall perform and satisfy all obligations of the
- 13 electric utility under the amendatory act that added this section
- 14 in the same manner and to the same extent as the electric utility,
- 15 including, but not limited to, collecting and paying to the person
- 16 entitled to revenues with respect to the securitization property.
- 17 (3) An assignee or financing party shall not be considered to
- 18 be a public utility or person providing electric service solely by
- 19 virtue of the transactions described in this act.