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STATE OF MICHIGAN 94TH LEGISLATURE REGULAR SESSION OF 2008

Introduced by Senators Jelinek, Van Woerkom and Jansen

ENROLLED SENATE BILL No. 1487

AN ACT to amend 1905 PA 157, entitled "An act to provide for the acquisition, maintenance, management, and control of township parks, resorts, bathing beaches, and places of recreation; to provide for the creation of a township park commission; to provide for a board of commissioners to provide for the issuance of bonds and the levy of taxes; to provide for the transfer of certain real property for parks; to authorize cities and villages to appropriate money for park purposes; to provide for the acquisition, construction, and use of wharves, piers, docks, and landing places in townships; to provide the powers and duties of certain local units of government and certain officials; and to prescribe penalties and provide remedies," (MCL 41.421 to 41.429) by amending the title, as amended by 1998 PA 160, and by adding sections 6g and 6h.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

TITLE

An act to provide for the acquisition, maintenance, management, and control of township parks, resorts, bathing beaches, and places of recreation; to provide for the creation of a township park commission; to provide for the dissolution of a township park commission; to provide for a board of commissioners; to provide for the issuance of bonds and the levy of taxes; to provide for the transfer of certain real property for parks; to authorize cities and villages to appropriate money for park purposes; to provide for the acquisition, construction, and use of wharves, piers, docks, and landing places in townships; to provide the powers and duties of certain local units of government and certain officials; and to prescribe penalties and provide remedies.

Sec. 6g. (1) On receipt of a written petition signed by not less than 8% of the registered voters of a township, the township board of that township, at its first meeting after receipt of the petition, shall submit the question of dissolving the township park commission to the registered voters of the township at the next regular election to be held in the township. If a majority of the registered voters voting on the question vote in favor of dissolving the township park commission, the township park commission is dissolved.

(2) If a township park commission is dissolved pursuant to subsection (1), the powers and duties and all of the assets and liabilities of the township park commission shall be transferred to the township board of that township.

Sec. 6h. Action taken by a township board to dissolve a township park commission that was approved by a majority of the township voters voting on the question at the November 2006 general election is validated and ratified, and the township park commission is dissolved.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

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