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HOUSE BILL No. 5203

December 7, 2011, Introduced by Reps. Cavanagh, Constan, Brown, Howze, Bledsoe, Durhal, Santana, Dillon, Heise, Roy Schmidt and Somerville and referred to the Committee on Local, Intergovernmental, and Regional Affairs.

A bill to amend 1945 PA 327, entitled

"Aeronautics code of the state of Michigan,"

by amending section 111 (MCL 259.111), as added by 2002 PA 90.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 111. (1) An authority created under or pursuant to this
- 2 chapter shall be directed and governed by a board consisting of 7
- 3 members.
- 4 (2) The members of a board created under section 110(2) shall
- 5 be appointed as follows:
 - (a) Two board members shall be appointed by the governor, with 1 board member appointed for an initial term of 6 years and 1 board member appointed for an initial term of 8 years.
 - (b) One board member shall be appointed by the legislative body of the local government that owns the airport, for an initial term of 4 years. Notwithstanding any other statute, law, ordinance,

- 1 or charter provision to the contrary, the board member appointed by
- 2 the legislative body may be a member of the legislative body of the
- 3 local government that owns the airport, but only while continuing
- 4 to serve as a member of the legislative body of that local
- 5 government.
- 6 (c) Four board members shall be appointed by the local chief
- 7 executive officer of the local government that owns the airport,
- 8 with 1 board member appointed for an initial term of 4 years, 1
- 9 board member appointed for an initial term of 2 years, and 2 board
- 10 members appointed for an initial term of 6 years. BEGINNING ON THE
- 11 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE AMENDATORY ACT THAT AMENDED THIS SECTION,
- 12 APPOINTMENTS UNDER THIS SUBDIVISION BY THE LOCAL CHIEF EXECUTIVE
- 13 OFFICER OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT THAT OWNS THE AIRPORT ARE SUBJECT
- 14 TO APPROVAL BY THE LEGISLATIVE BODY OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT THAT
- 15 OWNS THE AIRPORT.
- (d) Each appointing entity shall file each appointment under
- 17 this subsection with the department. Each subsequent appointment by
- 18 an appointing entity to fill a vacancy on the board shall also be
- 19 filed with the department.
- 20 (3) Upon incorporation of an authority pursuant to UNDER
- 21 section 110(3), the local chief executive officer, with the consent
- 22 of the legislative body of the local government if the local chief
- 23 executive officer is not elected, shall appoint the members of the
- 24 board. Of the board members first appointed under this subsection,
- 25 1 board member shall be appointed for a term of 2 years, 2 board
- 26 members shall be appointed for terms of 4 years each, 3 board
- 27 members shall be appointed for terms of 6 years each, and 1 board

- 1 member shall be appointed for a term of 8 years.
- 2 (4) A board member appointed pursuant to UNDER subsection
- 3 (2)(b) or (c) or (3) must be a citizen of the United States and a
- 4 resident of the local government that owns the airport over which
- 5 operational jurisdiction will be transferred to an authority. A
- 6 board member appointed pursuant to UNDER subsection (2)(a) must be
- 7 a citizen of the United States and a resident of the area within
- 8 the jurisdiction of the regional planning commission created under
- 9 1945 PA 281, MCL 125.11 to 125.25, in which the airport over which
- 10 operational jurisdiction will be transferred is located. Except as
- 11 permitted by subsection (2)(b), a person shall not be appointed
- 12 under subsection (2) or (3) as a board member if he or she is, or
- 13 was during the 12 months preceding the date of appointment, an
- 14 elected public official or employee of this state or an agency or
- 15 instrumentality of this state, a local government or an agency or
- 16 instrumentality of a local government, or the federal government or
- 17 an agency or instrumentality of the federal government.
- 18 (5) A board member appointed pursuant to UNDER subsection (2)
- 19 or (3), a chief executive officer, and chief financial officer of
- 20 an authority, shall, at time of appointment or hiring and subject
- 21 to subsection (6), meet all of the following qualifications:
- 22 (a) Neither the board member or the chief executive officer or
- 23 chief financial officer, nor the spouse or his or her siblings,
- 24 children or their spouses, parents, or siblings or their spouses of
- 25 the board member or the chief executive officer or chief financial
- 26 officer, are actively engaged or employed in any other business,
- 27 vocation, or employment of any civil aeronautics enterprise

- 1 connected with the airport under the control of the authority.
- 2 (b) Neither the board member or the chief executive officer or
- 3 chief financial officer, nor the spouse or his or her siblings,
- 4 children or their spouses, parents, or siblings or their spouses of
- 5 the board member or the chief executive officer or chief financial
- 6 officer, have a combined 15% or greater direct pecuniary interest
- 7 in any civil aeronautics enterprise connected with the airport
- 8 under the control of the authority.
- 9 (c) The board member or the chief executive officer or chief
- 10 financial officer would not be considered to have a conflict of
- 11 interest under 1968 PA 318, MCL 15.301 to 15.310, in respect to any
- 12 contract or subcontract involving the airport if the board member
- 13 or the chief executive officer or chief financial officer were
- 14 considered a state officer under 1968 PA 318, MCL 15.301 to 15.310.
- 15 (6) A board member who, at any time during his or her term of
- 16 service, becomes in violation of subsection (5)(b) shall have 30
- 17 days to divest, or arrange for the divestment of, the interest that
- 18 caused the violation. If the board member or his or her relative is
- 19 still in violation of subsection (5)(b) after the expiration of the
- 20 30-day period, the entity that appointed that board member shall
- 21 remove the board member from office.
- 22 (7) Notwithstanding any law or charter provision to the
- 23 contrary, appointments by a local chief executive officer under
- 24 subsection (2) shall not be subject to the approval by the
- 25 legislative body of the local government.
- 26 (7) (8) The board shall appoint a chief executive officer who
- 27 shall be an ex officio member, without vote, of the board and shall

- 1 not be considered in determining the presence of a quorum, who
- 2 shall have professional qualifications commensurate with the
- 3 responsibility of the jobs to be performed by such officials. The
- 4 board may enter into a contract with the chief executive officer
- 5 for a commercially reasonable length of time commensurate with the
- 6 length of time for contracts of airport chief executive officers,
- 7 directors, or managers with similar responsibilities at other
- 8 airports or airport authorities within or without this state with a
- 9 comparable number of annual enplanements.
- 10 (8) (9)—The chief executive officer shall appoint a chief
- 11 financial officer who shall be the treasurer of the authority, who
- 12 shall have professional qualifications commensurate with the
- 13 responsibility of the jobs to be performed by such officials.
- 14 Notwithstanding any law or charter provision to the contrary, it
- 15 shall be IS the duty and right of the chief financial officer of
- 16 the authority to receive all money belonging to the authority, or
- 17 arising or received in connection with the airport over which
- 18 operational jurisdiction has been transferred to the authority,
- 19 from whatever source derived. Money of the authority shall be
- 20 deposited, invested, and paid by the chief financial officer only
- 21 in accordance with policies, procedures, ordinances, or resolutions
- 22 adopted by the board. Upon the approval date, the authority shall
- 23 be—IS considered to be the owner of all money or other property
- 24 then or thereafter received by the treasurer of the local
- 25 government or deposited in the treasury of a local government to
- 26 the credit of the airport for which operational jurisdiction has
- 27 been transferred to the authority. The authority shall be IS

- 1 entitled to all interest and other earnings on those funds on and
- 2 after the latter of the effective date of this chapter MARCH 26,
- 3 2002 or the date on which the authority is created or incorporated.
- 4 The treasurer of any local government receiving or having custody
- 5 of money or other property belonging to an authority under this
- 6 chapter shall promptly transfer the money and other property to the
- 7 custody of the chief financial officer of the authority. The chief
- 8 financial officer shall provide the board with copies of all
- 9 reports made by the chief financial officer to the chief executive
- 10 officer.