SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 4554

A bill to amend 2014 PA 92, entitled "State essential services assessment act," by amending sections 3, 5, and 7 (MCL 211.1053, 211.1055, and 211.1057).

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 3. As used in this act:
- 2 (a) "Acquisition cost" means the fair market value of personal
- 3 property at the time of acquisition by the current FIRST owner,
- 4 including the cost of freight, sales tax, and installation, and
- 5 other capitalized costs, except capitalized interest. There is a
- 6 rebuttable presumption that the acquisition price paid by the
- 7 current FIRST owner for personal property, and any costs of
- 8 freight, sales tax, and installation, and other capitalized costs,
- 9 except capitalized interest, reflect the fair market value of the

- 1 personal property AT THE TIME OF ACQUISITION BY THE FIRST OWNER.
- 2 For property described in subdivision (e) (i) that would otherwise
- 3 be exempt under section 7k of the general property tax act, 1893 PA
- 4 206, MCL 211.7k, UNDER AN INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES EXEMPTION
- 5 CERTIFICATE ISSUED UNDER 1974 PA 198, MCL 207.551 TO 207.572, AND
- 6 EFFECTIVE BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2013, and for property described in
- 7 subdivision (e) (iii) THAT IS EXEMPT UNDER AN INDUSTRIAL
- 8 FACILITIES EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE ISSUED UNDER 1974 PA 198, MCL
- 9 207.551 TO 207.572, AND EFFECTIVE BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2013,
- 10 acquisition cost means 1/2 of the fair market value of that
- 11 personal property at the time of acquisition by the current FIRST
- 12 owner. The acquisition cost for personal property exempt under the
- 13 MICHIGAN renaissance zone act, 1996 PA 376, MCL 125.2681 to
- 14 125.2696, is \$0.00 except for the 3 years immediately preceding the
- 15 expiration of the exemption of that personal property under the
- 16 MICHIGAN renaissance zone act, 1996 PA 376, MCL 125.2681 to
- 17 125.2696, during which period of time the acquisition cost for that
- 18 personal property means the fair market value of that personal
- 19 property at the time of acquisition by the current-FIRST owner
- 20 multiplied by the percentage reduction in the exemption as provided
- 21 in section 9(3) of the MICHIGAN renaissance zone act, 1996 PA 376,
- 22 MCL 125.2689. The state tax commission may provide guidelines for
- 23 circumstances in which the actual acquisition price is not
- 24 determinative of fair market value and the basis of determining
- 25 fair market value in those circumstances, including when that
- 26 property is idle, obsolete, or surplus.BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING
- 27 CIRCUMSTANCES:

- 1 (i) THE ACTUAL ACQUISITION COST, THE YEAR OF ACQUISITION, OR
- 2 BOTH ARE UNKNOWN.
- 3 (ii) THE ACTUAL ACQUISITION COST IS NOT DETERMINATIVE OF FAIR
- 4 MARKET VALUE BECAUSE THE PROPERTY IS IDLE, HAS MATERIAL
- 5 OBSOLESCENCE, OR IS SURPLUS.
- 6 (b) "Assessment" means the state essential services assessment
- 7 levied under section 5.
- 8 (c) "Assessment year" means the year in which the state
- 9 essential services assessment levied under section 5 is due.
- 10 (d) "Eligible claimant" means a person that claims an
- 11 exemption for eligible personal property.
- (e) "Eligible personal property" means all of the following:
- (i) Personal property exempt under section 9m or 9n of the
- 14 general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.9m and 211.9n.
- 15 (ii) Personal property THAT IS ELIGIBLE MANUFACTURING PERSONAL
- 16 PROPERTY AS DEFINED IN SECTION 9M AND THAT IS exempt under section
- 17 9f of the general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.9f, which
- 18 exemption was approved under section 9f of the general property tax
- 19 act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.9f, after 2013, unless both of the
- 20 following conditions are satisfied:
- 21 (A) The application for the exemption was filed with the
- 22 eligible local assessing district or next NEXT Michigan development
- 23 corporation before August 5, 2014.
- 24 (B) The resolution approving the exemption states that the
- 25 project is expected to have total new personal property of over
- 26 \$25,000,000.00 within 5 years of the adoption of the resolution by
- 27 the eligible local assessing district or next NEXT Michigan

- 1 development corporation.
- 2 (iii) Personal property subject to an extended industrial
- 3 facilities exemption certificate under section 11a of 1974 PA 198,
- 4 MCL 207.561a.
- 5 (iv) Personal property subject to an extended exemption under
- 6 section 9f(8) 9f(8)(A) of the general property tax act, 1893 PA
- 7 206, MCL 211.9f.
- 8 (f) "Fund board" means the board of directors of the Michigan
- 9 strategic fund created under the Michigan strategic fund act, 1984
- 10 PA 270, MCL 125.2001 to 125.2094.
- 11 (g) "Michigan economic development corporation" means the
- 12 Michigan economic development corporation, the public body
- 13 corporate created under section 28 of article VII of the state
- 14 constitution of 1963 and the urban cooperation act of 1967, 1967
- 15 (Ex Sess) PA 7, MCL 124.501 to 124.512, by a contractual interlocal
- 16 agreement effective April 5, 1999, and subsequently amended,
- 17 between local participating economic development corporations
- 18 formed under the economic development corporations act, 1974 PA
- 19 338, MCL 125.1601 to 125.1636, and the Michigan strategic fund.
- 20 (h) "Michigan strategic fund" means the Michigan strategic
- 21 fund created under the Michigan strategic fund act, 1984 PA 270,
- 22 MCL 125.2001 to 125.2094.
- 23 (i) "Next Michigan development corporation" means that term as
- 24 defined under the next NEXT Michigan development act, 2010 PA 275,
- 25 MCL 125.2951 to 125.2959.
- Sec. 5. (1) Beginning January 1, 2016, the state essential
- 27 services assessment is levied on all eligible personal property as

- 1 provided in this section.
- 2 (2) The assessment under this section is a state specific tax
- 3 on the eligible personal property owned by, leased to, or in the
- 4 possession of an eligible claimant on December 31 of the year
- 5 immediately preceding the assessment year and shall be calculated
- 6 as follows:
- 7 (a) For eligible personal property acquired by the eligible
- 8 claimant FIRST OWNER in a year 1 to 5 years before the assessment
- 9 year, multiply the acquisition cost of the eligible personal
- 10 property by 2.4 mills.
- 11 (b) For eligible personal property acquired by the eligible
- 12 claimant FIRST OWNER in a year 6 to 10 years before the assessment
- 13 year, multiply the acquisition cost of the eligible personal
- 14 property by 1.25 mills.
- 15 (c) For eligible personal property acquired by the eligible
- 16 claimant FIRST OWNER in a year more than 10 years before the
- 17 assessment year, multiply the acquisition cost of the eligible
- 18 personal property by 0.9 mills.
- 19 Sec. 7. (1) The department of treasury shall collect and
- 20 administer the assessment as provided in this section.
- 21 (2) Not later than May 1 in each assessment year, the
- 22 department of treasury shall make available in electronic form to
- 23 each eligible claimant a statement for calculation of the
- 24 assessment as provided in section 5.
- 25 (3) Not later than September AUGUST 15 in each assessment
- 26 year, each eligible claimant shall submit electronically to the
- 27 department of treasury the completed statement, IN A FORM AND

- 1 MANNER PRESCRIBED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY, and full payment
- 2 of the assessment levied under section 5 for that assessment year
- 3 as calculated in section 5(2). The department of treasury may waive
- 4 or delay the electronic filing requirement at its discretion. THE
- 5 DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY MAY ACCEPT A TIMELY FILED STATEMENT USING
- 6 REPORTING SOFTWARE APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY, SUBJECT
- 7 TO AUDIT UNDER SUBSECTION (6). A statement submitted by an eligible
- 8 claimant shall include all of the eligible claimant's eligible
- 9 personal property located in this state subject to the assessment
- 10 levied under section 5. and, beginning in 2019, specify the
- 11 location of that property on December 31 of the year immediately
- 12 preceding the assessment year. THE COMPLETED STATEMENT REQUIRED
- 13 UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL NOT BE SUBJECT TO DISCLOSURE UNDER THE
- 14 FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT, 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.231 TO 15.246.
- 15 (4) If an eligible claimant does not submit the statement and
- 16 full payment of the assessment levied under section 5 by September
- 17 AUGUST 15, the department of treasury shall issue a notice to the
- 18 eliqible claimant not later than October SEPTEMBER 15. The notice
- 19 shall include a statement explaining the consequences of nonpayment
- 20 as set forth in subsection (5) and instructing the eligible
- 21 claimant of its potential responsibility under subsection (5)(e).
- 22 An eligible claimant shall submit payment in full by November 1
- 23 OCTOBER 15 of the assessment year along with a penalty of 1% per
- 24 week on the unpaid balance for each week payment is not made in
- 25 full up to a maximum of 5% of the total amount due and unpaid. For
- 26 the eligible claimant's first assessment year, the penalty shall be
- 27 waived if the eligible claimant submits the statement and full

- 1 payment of the assessment levied under section 5 within 7 business
- 2 days of BY September 15. AN ELIGIBLE CLAIMANT MAY AMEND A FILED
- 3 STATEMENT FOR THE CURRENT YEAR UP TO SEPTEMBER 15. PAYMENTS MADE
- 4 DUE TO AN AMENDED STATEMENT ARE SUBJECT TO THE PENALTIES AS
- 5 DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION. THE DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY SHALL
- 6 ISSUE REFUNDS FOR OVERPAYMENTS DUE TO AN AMENDED STATEMENT. ALL
- 7 REFUNDS DUE TO OVERPAYMENT SHALL BE REMITTED WITHOUT INTEREST
- 8 EXCEPT AS PROVIDED BY SECTION 37 OF THE TAX TRIBUNAL ACT, 1973 PA
- 9 186, MCL 205.737.
- 10 (5) If FOR ANY ASSESSMENT YEAR IN WHICH an eligible claimant
- 11 does not submit payment in full and any penalty due under
- 12 subsection (4) OR (6) by November 1, OCTOBER 15, OR IF THE STATE
- 13 TAX COMMISSION DISCOVERS THAT THE PROPERTY IS NOT ELIGIBLE UNDER
- 14 SECTION 9M OR 9N OF THE GENERAL PROPERTY TAX ACT, 1893 PA 206, MCL
- 15 211.9M AND 211.9N, all of the following shall apply:
- 16 (a) The state tax commission shall direct the assessor to
- 17 rescind ISSUE AN ORDER TO RESCIND NO LATER THAN THE FIRST MONDAY IN
- 18 DECEMBER for the assessment year any exemption described in section
- 19 9m or 9n of the general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.9m
- 20 and 211.9n, granted for the eligible personal property.ANY PARCEL
- 21 FOR WHICH PAYMENT IN FULL AND ANY PENALTY DUE HAVE NOT BEEN
- 22 RECEIVED OR FOR WHICH THE STATE TAX COMMISSION DISCOVERS THAT THE
- 23 PROPERTY IS NOT ELIGIBLE UNDER SECTION 9M OR 9N OF THE GENERAL
- 24 PROPERTY TAX ACT, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.9M AND 211.9N.
- 25 (b) The state tax commission shall rescind—ISSUE AN ORDER TO
- 26 RESCIND NO LATER THAN THE FIRST MONDAY IN DECEMBER for the
- 27 assessment year any exemption under section 9f of the general

- 1 property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.9f, which exemption was
- 2 approved under section 9f of the general property tax act, 1893 PA
- 3 206, MCL 211.9f, after 2013 FOR ANY PARCEL FOR WHICH PAYMENT IN
- 4 FULL AND ANY PENALTY DUE HAVE NOT BEEN RECEIVED OR FOR WHICH THE
- 5 STATE TAX COMMISSION DISCOVERS THAT THE PROPERTY IS NOT ELIGIBLE
- 6 UNDER SECTION 9M OR 9N OF THE GENERAL PROPERTY TAX ACT, 1893 PA
- 7 206, MCL 211.9M AND 211.9N.
- 8 (c) The state tax commission shall rescind ISSUE AN ORDER TO
- 9 RESCIND NO LATER THAN THE FIRST MONDAY IN DECEMBER for the
- 10 assessment year any exemption for eligible personal property
- 11 subject to an extended industrial facilities exemption certificate
- 12 under section 11a of 1974 PA 198, MCL 207.561a, FOR ANY PARCEL FOR
- 13 WHICH PAYMENT IN FULL AND ANY PENALTY DUE HAVE NOT BEEN RECEIVED OR
- 14 FOR WHICH THE STATE TAX COMMISSION DISCOVERS THAT THE PROPERTY IS
- 15 NOT ELIGIBLE UNDER SECTION 9M OR 9N OF THE GENERAL PROPERTY TAX
- 16 ACT, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.9M AND 211.9N.
- 17 (d) The state tax commission shall rescind—ISSUE AN ORDER TO
- 18 RESCIND NO LATER THAN THE FIRST MONDAY IN DECEMBER for the
- 19 assessment year any extended exemption for eligible personal
- 20 property under section 9f(8)(a) of the general property tax act,
- 21 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.9f, FOR ANY PARCEL FOR WHICH PAYMENT IN FULL
- 22 AND ANY PENALTY DUE HAVE NOT BEEN RECEIVED OR FOR WHICH THE STATE
- 23 TAX COMMISSION DISCOVERS THAT THE PROPERTY IS NOT ELIGIBLE UNDER
- 24 SECTION 9M OR 9N OF THE GENERAL PROPERTY TAX ACT, 1893 PA 206, MCL
- 25 211.9M AND 211.9N.
- 26 (e) The **ELIGIBLE** claimant shall file not later than November
- 27 10-WITH THE ASSESSOR OF THE TOWNSHIP OR CITY WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE

- 1 DATE OF THE STATE TAX COMMISSION ORDER TO RESCIND ISSUED UNDER
- 2 SUBDIVISIONS (A) TO (D) a statement under section 19 of the general
- 3 property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.19, for all property for
- 4 which the exemption has been rescinded under this section.
- 5 (f) All taxes due as a result of a rescission by the
- 6 department of treasury or WITHIN 60 DAYS OF AN ORDER OF RESCISSION
- 7 by the state tax commission under subdivisions (a) to (d), THE
- 8 TREASURER OF THE LOCAL TAX COLLECTING UNIT SHALL ISSUE AMENDED TAX
- 9 BILLS FOR ANY TAXES, INCLUDING PENALTY AND INTEREST, that were not
- 10 billed under the general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.1
- 11 to 211.155, or under 1974 PA 198, MCL 207.551 to 207.572, on the
- 12 summer bill shall be billed under the general property tax act,
- 13 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.1 to 211.155, or under 1974 PA 198, MCL
- 14 207.551 to 207.572, on the winter tax bill.AND THAT ARE OWED AS A
- 15 RESULT OF THE ORDER OF RESCISSION.
- 16 (6) (g) A person who files a statement under section 7 AN
- 17 ELIGIBLE CLAIMANT shall provide access to the books and records,
- 18 FOR AUDIT PURPOSES, relating to the LOCATION AND description; the
- 19 date of purchase, lease, or acquisition; and the purchase price,
- 20 lease amount, or value of all industrial personal property and
- 21 commercial personal property owned by, leased by, or in the
- 22 possession of that person or a related entity if requested by the
- 23 assessor of the local tax collecting unit, TOWNSHIP OR CITY, county
- 24 equalization department, or department of treasury for the year in
- 25 which the statement is filed and the immediately preceding 3 years.
- 26 THE DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY SHALL DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT AN AUDIT
- 27 PROGRAM WHICH INCLUDES, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO, THE AUDIT OF

- 1 STATEMENTS SUBMITTED UNDER SUBSECTION (3) AND AMENDED STATEMENTS
- 2 SUBMITTED UNDER SUBSECTION (4) FOR THE CURRENT CALENDAR YEAR AND
- 3 THE 3 CALENDAR YEARS IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING THE COMMENCEMENT OF AN
- 4 AUDIT. AN ASSESSMENT AS A RESULT OF AN AUDIT SHALL BE PAID IN FULL
- 5 WITHIN 35 DAYS OF ISSUANCE AND SHALL INCLUDE PENALTIES AND INTEREST
- 6 AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 154(3) OF THE GENERAL PROPERTY TAX ACT,
- 7 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.154. REFUNDS AS A RESULT OF AN AUDIT UNDER
- 8 THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE WITHOUT INTEREST. THE EXEMPTION FOR
- 9 PERSONAL PROPERTY FOR WHICH AN ASSESSMENT HAS BEEN ISSUED AS A
- 10 RESULT OF AN AUDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE
- 11 RESCISSION PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (5) FOR THE YEARS OF THE
- 12 ASSESSMENT IF FULL PAYMENT IS NOT TIMELY MADE AS REQUIRED BY THIS
- 13 SUBSECTION.
- 14 (7) (6) An eligible claimant may appeal an assessment levied
- 15 under section 5 or a penalty or rescission under this section to
- 16 the state tax commission by filing a petition not later than
- 17 December 31 in that tax year. AN ELIGIBLE CLAIMANT MAY APPEAL AN
- 18 ASSESSMENT ISSUED, INCLUDING PENALTIES, INTEREST, OR RESCISSION, AS
- 19 A RESULT OF AN AUDIT CONDUCTED UNDER SUBSECTION (6) BY FILING A
- 20 PETITION WITH THE STATE TAX COMMISSION WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE DATE
- 21 OF THAT ASSESSMENT'S ISSUANCE. The department of treasury may
- 22 appeal to the state tax commission by filing a petition for the
- 23 current calendar year and 3 immediately preceding calendar years.
- 24 The state tax commission shall decide any appeal based on the
- 25 written petition and the written recommendation of state tax
- 26 commission staff and any other relevant information. The department
- 27 of treasury or any eligible claimant may appeal the decision

- 1 DETERMINATION of the state tax commission to the Michigan tax
- 2 tribunal WITHIN 35 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THE DETERMINATION.