## **SENATE BILL No. 737**

February 2, 2016, Introduced by Senator MACGREGOR and referred to the Committee on Banking and Financial Institutions.

A bill to amend 1941 PA 122, entitled

"An act to establish the revenue collection duties of the department of treasury; to prescribe its powers and duties as the revenue collection agency of this state; to prescribe certain powers and duties of the state treasurer; to establish the collection duties of certain other state departments for money or accounts owed to this state; to regulate the importation, stamping, and disposition of certain tobacco products; to provide for the transfer of powers and duties now vested in certain other state boards, commissions, departments, and offices; to prescribe certain duties of and require certain reports from the department of treasury; to provide procedures for the payment, administration, audit, assessment, levy of interests or penalties on, and appeals of taxes and tax liability; to prescribe its powers and duties if an agreement to act as agent for a city to administer, collect, and enforce the city income tax act on behalf of a city is entered into with any city; to provide an appropriation; to abolish the state board of tax administration; to prescribe penalties and provide remedies; and to declare the effect of this act,"

by amending section 25 (MCL 205.25), as amended by 2002 PA 657.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

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- 1 Sec. 25. (1) The state treasurer, or an authorized
- 2 representative of the state treasurer, may cause a demand to be
- 3 made on a taxpayer for the payment of a tax, unpaid account, or
- 4 amount due the state or any of its departments, institutions, or
- 5 agencies, subject to administration under this act. If the
- 6 liability remains unpaid for 10 days after the demand and
- 7 proceedings are not taken to review the liability, the state
- 8 treasurer or an authorized representative of the state treasurer
- 9 may issue a warrant under the official seal of that office. Except
- 10 as provided in subsection (5), the state treasurer or an authorized
- 11 representative of the state treasurer, through any state officer
- 12 authorized to serve process or through his or her authorized
- 13 employees, may levy on all property and rights to property, real
- 14 and personal, tangible and intangible, belonging to the taxpayer or
- on which a lien is provided by law for the amount of the
- 16 deficiency, and sell the real and personal property of the taxpayer
- 17 found within the state for the payment of the amount due, the cost
- 18 of executing the warrant, RECORDING OR FILING FEES, and the
- 19 additional penalties and interest. Except as provided in subsection
- 20 (6), the officer or agent serving the warrant shall proceed upon
- 21 the warrant in all respects and in the same manner as prescribed by
- 22 law in respect to executions issued against property upon judgments
- 23 by a court of record. The THIS state, through the state treasurer
- 24 or an authorized representative of the state treasurer, may bid for
- 25 and purchase any property sold pursuant to this section.
- 26 (2) A person who refuses or fails to surrender any property or
- 27 rights to property subject to levy, upon demand by the state

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- 1 treasurer or an authorized representative of the state treasurer,
- 2 is personally liable to the THIS state in a sum equal to the value
- 3 of the property or rights not surrendered, but not exceeding the
- 4 amount due for which the levy was made, together with costs and
- 5 interest on the sum at the rate provided in section 23(2) from the
- 6 date of the levy. Any amount, other than costs, recovered under
- 7 this subsection shall be credited against the liability for the
- 8 collection of which the levy was made.
- 9 (3) In addition to the personal liability imposed by
- 10 subsection (2), if a person required to surrender property or
- 11 rights to property fails or refuses to surrender the property or
- 12 rights to property without reasonable cause, the person shall be
- 13 liable for a penalty equal to 50% of the amount recoverable under
- 14 subsection (2), none of which penalty shall be credited against the
- 15 liability for the collection of which the levy was made.
- 16 (4) A person in possession of, or obligated with respect to,
- 17 property or property rights subject to levy and upon which a levy
- 18 has been made who, upon demand of the state treasurer or an
- 19 authorized representative of the state treasurer, surrenders the
- 20 property or rights to property or discharges the obligation to the
- 21 state treasurer or an authorized representative of the state
- 22 treasurer or who pays a liability under subsection (1) shall have
- 23 his or her obligation to a person delinquent in payment of a tax or
- 24 other account reduced in an amount equal to the property or rights
- 25 to property surrendered or amounts paid to the state.
- 26 (5) There shall be exempt from levy under this section:
- 27 (a) For an unpaid tax, the type of property and the amount of

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- 1 that property as provided in section 6334 of the internal revenue
- 2 code of 1986.
- 3 (b) For an unpaid account, or amount due the state or any of
- 4 its departments other than an unpaid tax, disposable earnings to
- 5 the extent provided in section 303 of title III of the consumer
- 6 credit protection act, 82 Stat. STAT 163, 15 U.S.C. USC 1673.
- 7 (c) The effect of a levy on salary or wages shall be
- 8 continuous from the date the levy is first made until the liability
- 9 out of which the levy arose is satisfied.
- 10 (6) A warrant-notice of levy may be served by certified mail,
- 11 return receipt requested, on any person in possession of, or
- 12 obligated with respect to, property and rights to property, real
- 13 and personal, tangible and intangible, belonging to the taxpayer or
- 14 on which a lien is provided by law. The date of delivery on the
- 15 receipt shall be the date the levy is made. A person may, upon
- 16 written notice to the state treasurer, have all notices of levy by
- 17 mail sent to 1 designated office.