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## **HOUSE BILL No. 6305**

September 5, 2018, Introduced by Rep. Neeley and referred to the Committee on Commerce and Trade.

A bill to amend 2005 PA 210, entitled

"Commercial rehabilitation act,"

by amending sections 6 and 8 (MCL 207.846 and 207.848), section 8 as amended by 2011 PA 82.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Sec. 6. (1) Not more than 60 days after receipt of a copy of the application and resolution adopted under section 5, the commission shall approve or disapprove the resolution.
  - (2) Following approval of the application by the legislative body of the qualified local governmental unit and the commission, the commission shall issue to the applicant a commercial rehabilitation exemption certificate in the form the commission determines, which shall contain all of the following:
    - (a) A legal description of the real property on which the

- 1 qualified facility is located.
- 2 (b) A statement that unless revoked as provided in this act
- 3 the certificate shall remain in force for the period stated in the
- 4 certificate.
- 5 (c) A statement of the taxable value of the qualified
- 6 facility, separately stated for real and personal property, for the
- 7 tax year immediately preceding the effective date of the
- 8 certificate after deducting the taxable value of the land and
- 9 personal property other than personal property assessed pursuant to
- 10 sections 8(d) and 14(6) of the general property tax act, 1893 PA
- 11 206, MCL 211.8 and 211.14.
- 12 (d) A statement of the period of time authorized by the
- 13 legislative body of the qualified local governmental unit within
- 14 which the rehabilitation shall be completed.
- 15 (e) If the period of time authorized by the legislative body
- 16 of the qualified local governmental unit pursuant to subdivision
- 17 (b) is less than 10 years, the exemption certificate shall contain
- 18 the factors, criteria, and objectives, as determined by the
- 19 resolution of the qualified local governmental unit, necessary for
- 20 extending the period of time, if any.
- 21 (3) The EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SECTION 8(4), THE
- 22 effective date of the certificate is the December 31 immediately
- 23 following the date of issuance of the certificate.
- 24 (4) The commission shall file with the clerk of the qualified
- 25 local governmental unit a copy of the commercial rehabilitation
- 26 exemption certificate, and the commission shall maintain a record
- 27 of all certificates filed. The commission shall also send, by

- 1 certified mail, a copy of the commercial rehabilitation exemption
- 2 certificate to the applicant and the assessor of the local tax
- 3 collecting unit in which the qualified facility is located.
- 4 Sec. 8. (1) If the taxable value of the property proposed to
- 5 be exempt pursuant to an application under consideration,
- 6 considered together with the aggregate taxable value of property
- 7 exempt under certificates previously granted and currently in force
- 8 under this act or under 1974 PA 198, MCL 207.551 to 207.572,
- 9 exceeds 5% of the taxable value of the qualified local governmental
- 10 unit, the legislative body of the qualified local governmental unit
- 11 shall make a separate finding and shall include a statement in its
- 12 resolution approving the application that exceeding that amount
- 13 shall not have the effect of substantially impeding the operation
- 14 of the qualified local governmental unit or impairing the financial
- 15 soundness of an affected taxing unit.
- 16 (2) The legislative body of the qualified local governmental
- 17 unit shall not approve an application for a commercial
- 18 rehabilitation exemption certificate unless the applicant complies
- 19 with all of the following requirements:
- 20 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this subdivision or
- 21 subsection (3), the commencement of the rehabilitation of the
- 22 qualified facility does not occur earlier than 6 months before the
- 23 applicant files the application for the commercial rehabilitation
- 24 exemption certificate. However, through December 31, 2009, for a
- 25 qualified facility that is a qualified retail food establishment,
- 26 the commencement of the rehabilitation does not occur earlier than
- 27 42 months before the applicant files the application for the

- 1 commercial rehabilitation exemption certificate.
- 2 (b) The application relates to a rehabilitation program that
- 3 when completed constitutes a qualified facility within the meaning
- 4 of this act and that shall be situated within a commercial
- 5 rehabilitation district established in a qualified local
- 6 governmental unit eligible under this act.
- 7 (c) Completion of the qualified facility is calculated to, and
- 8 will at the time of issuance of the certificate have the reasonable
- 9 likelihood to, increase commercial activity, create employment,
- 10 retain employment, prevent a loss of employment, revitalize urban
- 11 areas, or increase the number of residents in the community in
- 12 which the qualified facility is situated.
- 13 (d) The applicant states, in writing, that the rehabilitation
- 14 of the qualified facility, excluding qualified retail food
- 15 establishments through December 31, 2009, would not be undertaken
- 16 without the applicant's receipt of the exemption certificate.
- 17 (e) The applicant is not delinquent in the payment of any
- 18 taxes related to the qualified facility.
- 19 (3) The provisions of subsection (2)(a) and (d) and the
- 20 provision contained in section 4(1) that provides that the district
- 21 must be established before an application is filed do not apply to
- 22 the rehabilitation of a qualified facility located in a commercial
- 23 rehabilitation district established by the legislative body of the
- 24 qualified local governmental unit in 2011 for construction or
- 25 rehabilitation that was commenced in August 2010 and for which an
- 26 application for a commercial rehabilitation exemption certificate
- was filed in June 2010.

- 1 (4) IF AN APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE WAS APPROVED BY THE
- 2 LEGISLATIVE BODY OF A QUALIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT IN FEBRUARY
- 3 2017 FOR A QUALIFIED FACILITY THAT IS LOCATED IN A DISTRICT THAT
- 4 WAS ESTABLISHED BY THE LEGISLATIVE BODY OF A QUALIFIED LOCAL
- 5 GOVERNMENT UNIT IN JANUARY 2017 AND THAT APPLICATION WAS APPROVED
- 6 BY THE COMMISSION IN 2018, THEN UPON REQUEST OF THE OWNER OF THE
- 7 QUALIFIED FACILITY, THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE APPLICATION IS
- 8 DECEMBER 31, 2017.