SENATE BILL No. 306

April 20, 2017, Introduced by Senators BRANDENBURG, ROBERTSON, JONES and MACGREGOR and referred to the Committee on Finance.

A bill to amend 1975 PA 197, entitled

"An act to provide for the establishment of a downtown development authority; to prescribe its powers and duties; to correct and prevent deterioration in business districts; to encourage historic preservation; to authorize the acquisition and disposal of interests in real and personal property; to authorize the creation and implementation of development plans in the districts; to promote the economic growth of the districts; to create a board; to prescribe its powers and duties; to authorize the levy and collection of taxes; to authorize the issuance of bonds and other evidences of indebtedness; to authorize the use of tax increment financing; to reimburse downtown development authorities for certain losses of tax increment revenues; and to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state officials,"

by amending sections 1 and 3 (MCL 125.1651 and 125.1653), as amended by 2016 PA 506.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 1. As used in this act:

(a) "Advance" means a transfer of funds made by a municipality to an authority or to another person on behalf of the authority in anticipation of repayment by the authority. Evidence of the intent

- 1 to repay an advance may include, but is not limited to, an executed
- 2 agreement to repay, provisions contained in a tax increment
- 3 financing plan approved prior to the advance, or a resolution of
- 4 the authority or the municipality.
- 5 (b) "Assessed value" means 1 of the following:
- 6 (i) For valuations made before January 1, 1995, the state
- 7 equalized valuation as determined under the general property tax
- 8 act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.1 to 211.155.
- 9 (ii) For valuations made after December 31, 1994, the taxable
- 10 value as determined under section 27a of the general property tax
- 11 act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.27a.
- 12 (c) "Authority" means a downtown development authority created
- 13 pursuant to this act.
- 14 (d) "Board" means the governing body of an authority.
- 15 (e) "Business district" means an area in the downtown of a
- 16 municipality zoned and used principally for business.
- 17 (f) "Captured assessed value" means the amount in any 1 year
- 18 by which the current assessed value of the project area, including
- 19 the assessed value of property for which specific local taxes are
- 20 paid in lieu of property taxes as determined in subdivision (aa),
- 21 (BB), exceeds the initial assessed value. The state tax commission
- 22 shall prescribe the method for calculating captured assessed value.
- 23 (g) "Catalyst development project" means a project that is
- 24 located in a municipality with a population greater than 600,000,
- 25 is designated by the authority as a catalyst development project,
- and is expected to result in at least \$300,000,000.00 of capital
- 27 investment. There shall be no more than 1 catalyst development

- 1 project designated within each authority.
- 2 (h) "Chief executive officer" means the mayor or city manager
- 3 of a city, the president or village manager of a village, or the
- 4 supervisor of a township or, if designated by the township board
- 5 for purposes of this act, the township superintendent or township
- 6 manager of a township.
- 7 (i) "Development area" means that area to which a development
- 8 plan is applicable.
- 9 (j) "Development plan" means that information and those
- 10 requirements for a development plan set forth in section 17.
- 11 (k) "Development program" means the implementation of the
- 12 development plan.
- 13 (l) "Downtown district" means that part of an area in a
- 14 business district that is specifically designated by ordinance of
- 15 the governing body of the municipality pursuant to this act. A
- 16 downtown district may include 1 or more separate and distinct
- 17 geographic areas in a business district as determined by the
- 18 municipality if the municipality enters into an agreement with a
- 19 qualified township under section 3(7) or if the municipality is a
- 20 city that surrounds another city and that other city lies between
- 21 the 2 separate and distinct geographic areas. If the downtown
- 22 district contains more than 1 separate and distinct geographic area
- 23 in the downtown district, the separate and distinct geographic
- 24 areas shall be considered 1 downtown district.
- (m) "Eligible advance" means an advance made before August 19,
- **26** 1993.
- 27 (n) "Eligible obligation" means an obligation issued or

- 1 incurred by an authority or by a municipality on behalf of an
- 2 authority before August 19, 1993 and its subsequent refunding by a
- 3 qualified refunding obligation. Eligible obligation includes an
- 4 authority's written agreement entered into before August 19, 1993
- 5 to pay an obligation issued after August 18, 1993 and before
- 6 December 31, 1996 by another entity on behalf of the authority.
- 7 (o) "Fire alarm system" means a system designed to detect and
- 8 annunciate the presence of fire, or by-products of fire. Fire alarm
- 9 system includes smoke detectors.
- 10 (p) "Fiscal year" means the fiscal year of the authority.
- 11 (q) "Governing body of a municipality" means the elected body
- 12 of a municipality having legislative powers.
- 13 (r) "Initial assessed value" means the assessed value, as
- 14 equalized, of all the taxable property within the boundaries of the
- 15 development area at the time the ordinance establishing the tax
- 16 increment financing plan is approved, as shown by the most recent
- 17 assessment roll of the municipality for which equalization has been
- 18 completed at the time the resolution is adopted. Property exempt
- 19 from taxation at the time of the determination of the initial
- 20 assessed value shall be included as zero. For the purpose of
- 21 determining initial assessed value, property for which a specific
- 22 local tax is paid in lieu of a property tax shall not be considered
- 23 to be property that is exempt from taxation. The initial assessed
- 24 value of property for which a specific local tax was paid in lieu
- 25 of a property tax shall be determined as provided in subdivision
- 26 (aa). (BB). In the case of a municipality having a population of
- 27 less than 35,000 that established an authority prior to 1985,

- 1 created a district or districts, and approved a development plan or
- 2 tax increment financing plan or amendments to a plan, and which
- 3 plan or tax increment financing plan or amendments to a plan, and
- 4 which plan expired by its terms December 31, 1991, the initial
- 5 assessed value for the purpose of any plan or plan amendment
- 6 adopted as an extension of the expired plan shall be determined as
- 7 if the plan had not expired December 31, 1991. For a development
- 8 area designated before 1997 in which a renaissance zone has
- 9 subsequently been designated pursuant to the Michigan renaissance
- 10 zone act, 1996 PA 376, MCL 125.2681 to 125.2696, the initial
- 11 assessed value of the development area otherwise determined under
- 12 this subdivision shall be reduced by the amount by which the
- 13 current assessed value of the development area was reduced in 1997
- 14 due to the exemption of property under section 7ff of the general
- 15 property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.7ff, but in no case shall
- 16 the initial assessed value be less than zero.
- 17 (S) "LIBRARY CAPTURE OBLIGATION" MEANS A BOND, NOTE, OR
- 18 SIMILAR INSTRUMENT EVIDENCING DEBT FOR BORROWED MONEY ISSUED BY THE
- 19 AUTHORITY BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2017, WHICH PLEDGES PAYMENT OF THE DEBT
- 20 BY THE AUTHORITY FROM AN IDENTIFIED SOURCE OF REVENUE.
- 21 (T) (s)—"Municipality" means a city, village, or township.
- 22 (U) (t) "Obligation" means a written promise to pay, whether
- 23 evidenced by a contract, agreement, lease, sublease, bond, or note,
- 24 or a requirement to pay imposed by law. An obligation does not
- 25 include a payment required solely because of default upon an
- 26 obligation, employee salaries, or consideration paid for the use of
- 27 municipal offices. An obligation does not include those bonds that

- 1 have been economically defeased by refunding bonds issued under
- 2 this act. Obligation includes, but is not limited to, the
- 3 following:
- 4 (i) A requirement to pay proceeds derived from ad valorem
- 5 property taxes or taxes levied in lieu of ad valorem property
- 6 taxes.
- 7 (ii) A management contract or a contract for professional
- 8 services.
- 9 (iii) A payment required on a contract, agreement, bond, or
- 10 note if the requirement to make or assume the payment arose before
- **11** August 19, 1993.
- 12 (iv) A requirement to pay or reimburse a person for the cost
- 13 of insurance for, or to maintain, property subject to a lease, land
- 14 contract, purchase agreement, or other agreement.
- 15 (v) A letter of credit, paying agent, transfer agent, bond
- 16 registrar, or trustee fee associated with a contract, agreement,
- 17 bond, or note.
- 18 (V) (u) "On behalf of an authority", in relation to an
- 19 eligible advance made by a municipality, or an eligible obligation
- 20 or other protected obligation issued or incurred by a municipality,
- 21 means in anticipation that an authority would transfer tax
- 22 increment revenues or reimburse the municipality from tax increment
- 23 revenues in an amount sufficient to fully make payment required by
- 24 the eligible advance made by the municipality, or eligible
- 25 obligation or other protected obligation issued or incurred by the
- 26 municipality, if the anticipation of the transfer or receipt of tax
- 27 increment revenues from the authority is pursuant to or evidenced

- 1 by 1 or more of the following:
- 2 (i) A reimbursement agreement between the municipality and an
- 3 authority it established.
- 4 (ii) A requirement imposed by law that the authority transfer
- 5 tax increment revenues to the municipality.
- 6 (iii) A resolution of the authority agreeing to make payments
- 7 to the incorporating unit.
- 8 (iv) Provisions in a tax increment financing plan describing
- 9 the project for which the obligation was incurred.
- 10 (W) (v) "Operations" means office maintenance, including
- 11 salaries and expenses of employees, office supplies, consultation
- 12 fees, design costs, and other expenses incurred in the daily
- 13 management of the authority and planning of its activities.
- 14 (X) (w) "Other protected obligation" means:
- 15 (i) A qualified refunding obligation issued to refund an
- 16 obligation described in subparagraph (ii), (iii), or (iv), an
- 17 obligation that is not a qualified refunding obligation that is
- 18 issued to refund an eligible obligation, or a qualified refunding
- 19 obligation issued to refund an obligation described in this
- 20 subparagraph.
- 21 (ii) An obligation issued or incurred by an authority or by a
- 22 municipality on behalf of an authority after August 19, 1993, but
- 23 before December 31, 1994, to finance a project described in a tax
- 24 increment finance plan approved by the municipality in accordance
- 25 with this act before December 31, 1993, for which a contract for
- 26 final design is entered into by or on behalf of the municipality or
- 27 authority before March 1, 1994 or for which a written agreement

- 1 with a developer, titled preferred development agreement, was
- 2 entered into by or on behalf of the municipality or authority in
- **3** July 1993.
- 4 (iii) An obligation incurred by an authority or municipality
- 5 after August 19, 1993, to reimburse a party to a development
- 6 agreement entered into by a municipality or authority before August
- 7 19, 1993, for a project described in a tax increment financing plan
- 8 approved in accordance with this act before August 19, 1993, and
- 9 undertaken and installed by that party in accordance with the
- 10 development agreement.
- 11 (iv) An obligation incurred by the authority evidenced by or
- 12 to finance a contract to purchase real property within a
- 13 development area or a contract to develop that property within the
- 14 development area, or both, if all of the following requirements are
- **15** met:
- 16 (A) The authority purchased the real property in 1993.
- 17 (B) Before June 30, 1995, the authority enters a contract for
- 18 the development of the real property located within the development
- **19** area.
- 20 (C) In 1993, the authority or municipality on behalf of the
- 21 authority received approval for a grant from both of the following:
- 22 (I) The department of natural resources for site reclamation
- 23 of the real property.
- 24 (II) The department of consumer and industry services for
- 25 development of the real property.
- 26 (v) An ongoing management or professional services contract
- 27 with the governing body of a county which was entered into before

- 1 March 1, 1994 and which was preceded by a series of limited term
- 2 management or professional services contracts with the governing
- 3 body of the county, the last of which was entered into before
- 4 August 19, 1993.
- 5 (vi) A loan from a municipality to an authority if the loan
- 6 was approved by the legislative body of the municipality on April
- **7** 18, 1994.
- 8 (vii) Funds expended to match a grant received by a
- 9 municipality on behalf of an authority for sidewalk improvements
- 10 from the Michigan department of transportation if the legislative
- 11 body of the municipality approved the grant application on April 5,
- 12 1993 and the grant was received by the municipality in June 1993.
- 13 (viii) For taxes captured in 1994, an obligation described in
- 14 this subparagraph issued or incurred to finance a project. An
- 15 obligation is considered issued or incurred to finance a project
- 16 described in this subparagraph only if all of the following are
- **17** met:
- 18 (A) The obligation requires raising capital for the project or
- 19 paying for the project, whether or not a borrowing is involved.
- 20 (B) The obligation was part of a development plan and the tax
- 21 increment financing plan was approved by a municipality on May 6,
- **22** 1991.
- 23 (C) The obligation is in the form of a written memorandum of
- 24 understanding between a municipality and a public utility dated
- 25 October 27, 1994.
- 26 (D) The authority or municipality captured school taxes during
- **27** 1994.

- 1 (ix) An obligation incurred after July 31, 2012 by an
- 2 authority, municipality, or other governmental unit to pay for
- 3 costs associated with a catalyst development project.
- 4 (Y) (x) "Public facility" means a street, plaza, pedestrian
- 5 mall, and any improvements to a street, plaza, or pedestrian mall
- 6 including street furniture and beautification, park, parking
- 7 facility, recreational facility, right-of-way, structure, waterway,
- 8 bridge, lake, pond, canal, utility line or pipe, building, and
- 9 access routes to any of the foregoing, designed and dedicated to
- 10 use by the public generally, or used by a public agency. Public
- 11 facility includes an improvement to a facility used by the public
- 12 or a public facility as those terms are defined in section 1 of
- 13 1966 PA 1, MCL 125.1351, which improvement is made to comply with
- 14 the barrier free design requirements of the state construction code
- 15 promulgated under the Stille-DeRossett-Hale single state
- 16 construction code act, 1972 PA 230, MCL 125.1501 to 125.1531.
- 17 Public facility also includes the acquisition, construction,
- 18 improvement, and operation of a building owned or leased by the
- 19 authority to be used as a retail business incubator.
- 20 (Z) (y) "Qualified refunding obligation" means an obligation
- 21 issued or incurred by an authority or by a municipality on behalf
- 22 of an authority to refund an obligation if 1 or more of the
- 23 following apply:
- 24 (i) The obligation is issued to refund a qualified refunding
- 25 obligation issued in November 1997 and any subsequent refundings of
- 26 that obligation issued before January 1, 2010 or the obligation is
- 27 issued to refund a qualified refunding obligation issued on May 15,

- 1 1997 and any subsequent refundings of that obligation issued before
- 2 January 1, 2010 in an authority in which 1 parcel or group of
- 3 parcels under common ownership represents 50% or more of the
- 4 taxable value captured within the tax increment finance district
- 5 and that will ultimately provide for at least a 40% reduction in
- 6 the taxable value of the property as part of a negotiated
- 7 settlement as a result of an appeal filed with the state tax
- 8 tribunal. Qualified refunding obligations issued under this
- 9 subparagraph are not subject to the requirements of section 611 of
- 10 the revised municipal finance act, 2001 PA 34, MCL 141.2611, if
- 11 issued before January 1, 2010. The duration of the development
- 12 program described in the tax increment financing plan relating to
- 13 the qualified refunding obligations issued under this subparagraph
- 14 is hereby extended to 1 year after the final date of maturity of
- 15 the qualified refunding obligations.
- 16 (ii) The refunding obligation meets both of the following:
- 17 (A) The net present value of the principal and interest to be
- 18 paid on the refunding obligation, including the cost of issuance,
- 19 will be less than the net present value of the principal and
- 20 interest to be paid on the obligation being refunded, as calculated
- 21 using a method approved by the department of treasury.
- 22 (B) The net present value of the sum of the tax increment
- 23 revenues described in subdivision $\frac{(cc)(ii)}{(DD)(ii)}$ and the
- 24 distributions under section 13b to repay the refunding obligation
- 25 will not be greater than the net present value of the sum of the
- 26 tax increment revenues described in subdivision (ce) (ii) (DD) (ii)
- 27 and the distributions under section 13b to repay the obligation

- 1 being refunded, as calculated using a method approved by the
- 2 department of treasury.
- 3 (iii) The obligation is issued to refund an other protected
- 4 obligation issued as a capital appreciation bond delivered to the
- 5 Michigan municipal bond authority on December 21, 1994 and any
- 6 subsequent refundings of that obligation issued before January 1,
- 7 2012. Qualified refunding obligations issued under this
- 8 subparagraph are not subject to the requirements of section 305(2),
- **9** (3), (5), and (6), section 501, section 503, or section 611 of the
- 10 revised municipal finance act, 2001 PA 34, MCL 141.2305, 141.2501,
- 11 141.2503, and 141.2611, if issued before January 1, 2012. The
- 12 duration of the development program described in the tax increment
- 13 financing plan relating to the qualified refunding obligations
- 14 issued under this subparagraph is extended to 1 year after the
- 15 final date of maturity of the qualified refunding obligations. The
- 16 obligation may be payable through the year 2025 at an interest rate
- 17 not exceeding the maximum rate permitted by law, notwithstanding
- 18 the bond maturity dates contained in the notice of intent to issue
- 19 bonds published by the municipality. An obligation issued under
- 20 this subparagraph is a qualified refunding obligation only to the
- 21 extent that revenues described in subdivision $\frac{\text{(cc)}(ii)}{\text{(DD)}(ii)}$ and
- 22 distributions under section 13b to repay the qualified refunding
- obligation do not exceed \$750,000.00.
- 24 (iv) The obligation is issued to refund a qualified refunding
- 25 obligation issued on February 13, 2008, and any subsequent
- 26 refundings of that obligation, issued before December 31, 2018.
- 27 Qualified refunding obligations issued under this subparagraph are

- 1 not subject to the requirements of section 305(2), (3), (5), and
- 2 (6), 501, 503, or 611 of the revised municipal finance act, 2001 PA
- **3** 34, MCL 141.2305, 141.2501, 141.2503, and 141.2611. The duration of
- 4 the development program described in the tax increment financing
- 5 plan relating to the qualified refunding obligations issued under
- 6 this subparagraph is extended to 1 year after the final date of
- 7 maturity of the qualified refunding obligations. Revenues described
- 8 in subdivision $\frac{(cc)(ii)}{(DD)(ii)}$ and distributions made under
- 9 section 13b in excess of the amount needed for current year debt
- 10 service on an obligation issued under this subparagraph may be paid
- 11 to the authority to the extent necessary to pay future years' debt
- 12 service on the obligation as determined by the board.
- 13 (AA) (z) "Qualified township" means a township that meets all
- 14 of the following requirements:
- 15 (i) Was not eligible to create an authority prior to January
- **16** 3, 2005.
- 17 (ii) Adjoins a municipality that previously created an
- **18** authority.
- 19 (iii) Along with the adjoining municipality that previously
- 20 created an authority, is a member of the same joint planning
- 21 commission under the joint municipal planning act, 2003 PA 226, MCL
- 22 125.131 to 125.143.
- 23 (BB) (aa) "Specific local tax" means a tax levied under 1974
- 24 PA 198, MCL 207.551 to 207.572, the commercial redevelopment act,
- 25 1978 PA 255, MCL 207.651 to 207.668, the technology park
- 26 development act, 1984 PA 385, MCL 207.701 to 207.718, and 1953 PA
- 27 189, MCL 211.181 to 211.182. The initial assessed value or current

- 1 assessed value of property subject to a specific local tax shall be
- 2 the quotient of the specific local tax paid divided by the ad
- 3 valorem millage rate. However, after 1993, the state tax commission
- 4 shall prescribe the method for calculating the initial assessed
- 5 value and current assessed value of property for which a specific
- 6 local tax was paid in lieu of a property tax.
- 7 (CC) (bb)—"State fiscal year" means the annual period
- 8 commencing October 1 of each year.
- 9 (DD) (cc) "Tax increment revenues" means the amount of ad
- 10 valorem property taxes and specific local taxes attributable to the
- 11 application of the levy of all taxing jurisdictions upon the
- 12 captured assessed value of real and personal property in the
- 13 development area, subject to the following requirements:
- 14 (i) Tax increment revenues include ad valorem property taxes
- 15 and specific local taxes attributable to the application of the
- 16 levy of all taxing jurisdictions other than the state pursuant to
- 17 the state education tax act, 1993 PA 331, MCL 211.901 to 211.906,
- 18 and local or intermediate school districts upon the captured
- 19 assessed value of real and personal property in the development
- 20 area for any purpose authorized by this act.
- 21 (ii) Tax increment revenues include ad valorem property taxes
- 22 and specific local taxes attributable to the application of the
- 23 levy of the state pursuant to the state education tax act, 1993 PA
- 24 331, MCL 211.901 to 211.906, and local or intermediate school
- 25 districts upon the captured assessed value of real and personal
- 26 property in the development area in an amount equal to the amount
- 27 necessary, without regard to subparagraph (i), to repay eligible

- 1 advances, eligible obligations, and other protected obligations.
- 2 (iii) Tax increment revenues do not include any of the
- 3 following:
- 4 (A) Ad valorem property taxes attributable either to a portion
- 5 of the captured assessed value shared with taxing jurisdictions
- 6 within the jurisdictional area of the authority or to a portion of
- 7 value of property that may be excluded from captured assessed value
- 8 or specific local taxes attributable to such ad valorem property
- 9 taxes.
- 10 (B) Ad valorem property taxes excluded by the tax increment
- 11 financing plan of the authority from the determination of the
- 12 amount of tax increment revenues to be transmitted to the authority
- 13 or specific local taxes attributable to such ad valorem property
- 14 taxes.
- 15 (C) Ad valorem property taxes exempted from capture under
- 16 section 3(3) or specific local taxes attributable to such ad
- 17 valorem property taxes.
- 18 (D) Ad valorem property taxes levied under 1 or more of the
- 19 following or specific local taxes attributable to those ad valorem
- 20 property taxes:
- 21 (I) The zoological authorities act, 2008 PA 49, MCL 123.1161
- 22 to 123.1183.
- 23 (II) The art institute authorities act, 2010 PA 296, MCL
- 24 123.1201 to 123.1229.
- 25 (III) Except as otherwise provided in section 3(3), ad valorem
- 26 property taxes or specific local taxes attributable to those ad
- 27 valorem property taxes levied for a separate millage for public

- 1 library purposes approved by the electors after December 31, 2016.
- 2 (iv) The amount of tax increment revenues authorized to be
- 3 included under subparagraph (ii) or (v), and required to be
- 4 transmitted to the authority under section 14(1), from ad valorem
- 5 property taxes and specific local taxes attributable to the
- 6 application of the levy of the state education tax act, 1993 PA
- 7 331, MCL 211.901 to 211.906, a local school district or an
- 8 intermediate school district upon the captured assessed value of
- 9 real and personal property in a development area shall be
- 10 determined separately for the levy by the state, each school
- 11 district, and each intermediate school district as the product of
- 12 sub-subparagraphs (A) and (B):
- 13 (A) The percentage that the total ad valorem taxes and
- 14 specific local taxes available for distribution by law to the
- 15 state, local school district, or intermediate school district,
- 16 respectively, bears to the aggregate amount of ad valorem millage
- 17 taxes and specific taxes available for distribution by law to the
- 18 state, each local school district, and each intermediate school
- 19 district.
- 20 (B) The maximum amount of ad valorem property taxes and
- 21 specific local taxes considered tax increment revenues under
- 22 subparagraph (ii) or (v).
- 23 (v) Tax increment revenues include ad valorem property taxes
- 24 and specific local taxes, in an annual amount and for each year
- 25 approved by the state treasurer, attributable to the levy by this
- 26 state under the state education tax act, 1993 PA 331, MCL 211.901
- 27 to 211.906, and by local or intermediate school districts, upon the

- 1 captured assessed value of real and personal property in the
- 2 development area of an authority established in a city with a
- 3 population of 600,000 or more to pay for, or reimburse an advance
- 4 for, not more than \$8,000,000.00 for the demolition of buildings or
- 5 structures on public or privately owned property within a
- 6 development area that commences in 2005, or to pay the annual
- 7 principal of or interest on an obligation, the terms of which are
- 8 approved by the state treasurer, issued by an authority, or by a
- 9 city on behalf of an authority, to pay not more than \$8,000,000.00
- 10 of the costs to demolish buildings or structures on public or
- 11 privately owned property within a development area that commences
- **12** in 2005.
- 13 (vi) Tax increment revenues include ad valorem property taxes
- 14 and specific local taxes attributable to the levy by this state
- 15 under the state education tax act, 1993 PA 331, MCL 211.201 to
- 16 211.906, and by local or intermediate school districts which were
- 17 levied on or after July 1, 2010, upon the captured assessed value
- 18 of real and personal property in the development area of an
- 19 authority established in a city with a population of 600,000 or
- 20 more to pay for, or reimburse an advance for, costs associated with
- 21 the land acquisition, preliminary site work, and construction of a
- 22 catalyst development project.
- 23 Sec. 3. (1) When the governing body of a municipality
- 24 determines that it is necessary for the best interests of the
- 25 public to halt property value deterioration and increase property
- 26 tax valuation where possible in its business district, to eliminate
- 27 the causes of that deterioration, and to promote economic growth,

- 1 the governing body may, by resolution, declare its intention to
- 2 create and provide for the operation of an authority.
- 3 (2) In the resolution of intent, the governing body shall set
- 4 a date for the holding of a public hearing on the adoption of a
- 5 proposed ordinance creating the authority and designating the
- 6 boundaries of the downtown district. Notice of the public hearing
- 7 shall be published twice in a newspaper of general circulation in
- 8 the municipality, not less than 20 or more than 40 days before the
- 9 date of the hearing. Not less than 20 days before the hearing, the
- 10 governing body proposing to create the authority shall also mail
- 11 notice of the hearing to the property taxpayers of record in the
- 12 proposed district and for a public hearing to be held after
- 13 February 15, 1994 to the governing body of each taxing jurisdiction
- 14 levying taxes that would be subject to capture if the authority is
- 15 established and a tax increment financing plan is approved.
- 16 Beginning June 1, 2005, the notice of hearing within the time frame
- 17 described in this subsection shall be mailed by certified mail to
- 18 the governing body of each taxing jurisdiction levying taxes that
- 19 would be subject to capture if the authority is established and a
- 20 tax increment financing plan is approved. Failure of a property
- 21 taxpayer to receive the notice shall not invalidate these
- 22 proceedings. Notice of the hearing shall be posted in at least 20
- 23 conspicuous and public places in the proposed downtown district not
- 24 less than 20 days before the hearing. The notice shall state the
- 25 date, time, and place of the hearing, and shall describe the
- 26 boundaries of the proposed downtown district. A citizen, taxpayer,
- 27 or property owner of the municipality or an official from a taxing

- 1 jurisdiction with millage that would be subject to capture has the
- 2 right to be heard in regard to the establishment of the authority
- 3 and the boundaries of the proposed downtown district. The governing
- 4 body of the municipality shall not incorporate land into the
- 5 downtown district not included in the description contained in the
- 6 notice of public hearing, but it may eliminate described lands from
- 7 the downtown district in the final determination of the boundaries.
- 8 (3) Not more than 60 days after a public hearing held after
- 9 February 15, 1994, the governing body of a taxing jurisdiction
- 10 levying ad valorem property taxes that would otherwise be subject
- 11 to capture may exempt its taxes from capture by adopting a
- 12 resolution to that effect and filing a copy with the clerk of the
- municipality proposing to create the authority. The resolution
- 14 takes effect when filed with that clerk and remains effective until
- 15 a copy of a resolution rescinding that resolution is filed with
- 16 that clerk. If a separate millage for public library purposes was
- 17 levied—IN EFFECT OR APPROVED BY ELECTORS before January 1, 2017,
- 18 and all LIBRARY CAPTURE obligations and other protected obligations
- 19 of the authority are paid, then the levy is exempt from capture
- 20 under this act, unless the library board or commission allows all
- 21 or a portion of its taxes levied to be included as tax increment
- 22 revenues and subject to capture under this act under the terms of a
- 23 written agreement between the library board or commission and the
- 24 authority. The written agreement shall be filed with the clerk of
- 25 the municipality. However, if a separate millage for public library
- 26 purposes was levied IN EFFECT OR APPROVED BY ELECTORS before
- 27 January 1, 2017, and the authority alters or amends the boundaries

- 1 of a downtown district, ADOPTS A NEW DEVELOPMENT PLAN OR FINANCE
- 2 PLAN, or extends the duration of, OR OTHERWISE MODIFIES OR AMENDS,
- 3 the existing **DEVELOPMENT PLAN OR** finance plan, then the library
- 4 board or commission may, not later than 60 days after a public
- 5 hearing REQUIRED FOR THAT ACTION is held under this subsection,
- 6 ACT, exempt all or a portion of its taxes from capture by adopting
- 7 a resolution to that effect and filing a copy with the clerk of the
- 8 municipality that created the authority. For ad valorem property
- 9 taxes or specific local taxes attributable to those ad valorem
- 10 property taxes levied for a separate millage for public library
- 11 purposes approved by the electors after December 31, 2016, a
- 12 library board or commission may allow all or a portion of its taxes
- 13 levied to be included as tax increment revenues and subject to
- 14 capture under this act under the terms of a written agreement
- 15 between the library board or commission and the authority. The
- 16 written agreement shall be filed with the clerk of the
- 17 municipality. However, if the library was created under section 1
- 18 or 10a of 1877 PA 164, MCL 397.201 and 397.210a, or established
- 19 under 1869 LA 233, then any action of the library board or
- 20 commission under this subsection shall have the concurrence of the
- 21 chief executive officer of the city that created the library to be
- 22 effective, and, if the action of the library board or commission
- 23 involves any bond issued by this state or a state agency, the
- 24 concurrence of the state treasurer.
- 25 (4) Not less than 60 days after the public hearing, if the
- 26 governing body of the municipality intends to proceed with the
- 27 establishment of the authority, it shall adopt, by majority vote of

- 1 its members, an ordinance establishing the authority and
- 2 designating the boundaries of the downtown district within which
- 3 the authority shall exercise its powers. The adoption of the
- 4 ordinance is subject to any applicable statutory or charter
- 5 provisions in respect to the approval or disapproval by the chief
- 6 executive or other officer of the municipality and the adoption of
- 7 an ordinance over his or her veto. This ordinance shall be filed
- 8 with the secretary of state promptly after its adoption and shall
- 9 be published at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in
- 10 the municipality.
- 11 (5) The governing body of the municipality may alter or amend
- 12 the boundaries of the downtown district to include or exclude lands
- 13 from the downtown district pursuant to the same requirements for
- 14 adopting the ordinance creating the authority.
- 15 (6) A municipality that has created an authority may enter
- 16 into an agreement with an adjoining municipality that has created
- 17 an authority to jointly operate and administer those authorities
- 18 under an interlocal agreement under the urban cooperation act of
- 19 1967, 1967 (Ex Sess) PA 7, MCL 124.501 to 124.512.
- 20 (7) A municipality that has created an authority may enter
- 21 into an agreement with a qualified township to operate its
- 22 authority in a downtown district in the qualified township under an
- 23 interlocal agreement under the urban cooperation act of 1967, 1967
- 24 (Ex Sess) PA 7, MCL 124.501 to 124.512. The interlocal agreement
- 25 between the municipality and the qualified township shall provide
- 26 for, but is not limited to, all of the following:
- 27 (a) Size and makeup of the board.

- 1 (b) Determination and modification of downtown district,
- 2 business district, and development area.
- 3 (c) Modification of development area and development plan.
- 4 (d) Issuance and repayment of obligations.
- 5 (e) Capture of taxes.
- 6 (f) Notice, hearing, and exemption of taxes from capture
- 7 provisions described in this section.

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