SENATE BILL No. 635

October 18, 2017, Introduced by Senators GREGORY, CONYERS, HERTEL, JOHNSON, YOUNG, HOPGOOD, KOWALL, HOOD, BIEDA, KNEZEK and ANANICH and referred to the Committee on Banking and Financial Institutions.

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled

"Revised judicature act of 1961,"

by amending section 3240 (MCL 600.3240), as amended by 2014 PA 431.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 3240. (1) A purchaser's deed under section 3232 is void
- 2 if the mortgagor, the mortgagor's heirs or personal representative,
- 3 or any person that has a recorded interest in the property lawfully
- 4 claiming under the mortgagor or the mortgagor's heirs or personal
- 5 representative redeems the entire premises sold by paying the
- 6 amount required under subsection (2) and any amount required under
- 7 subsection (4), within the applicable time limit prescribed in
- 8 subsections (7) to (12), to the purchaser or the purchaser's
- 9 personal representative or assigns, or to the register of deeds in

- 1 whose office the deed is deposited for the benefit of the
- 2 purchaser.
- 3 (2) The amount required to be paid under subsection (1) is the
- 4 amount that was bid for the entire premises sold, interest from the
- 5 date of the sale at the interest rate provided for by the mortgage,
- 6 the amount of the sheriff's fee paid by the purchaser under section
- 7 2558(2)(q), and an additional \$5.00 as a fee for the care and
- 8 custody of the redemption money if the payment is made to the
- 9 register of deeds. Except as provided in subsection (14), the
- 10 register of deeds shall not determine the amount necessary for
- 11 redemption. The purchaser shall provide an affidavit with the deed
- 12 to be recorded under this section that states the exact amount
- 13 required to redeem the property under this subsection, including
- 14 any daily per diem amounts, and the date by which the property must
- 15 be redeemed shall be stated on the certificate of sale. The
- 16 purchaser may include in the affidavit the name of a designee
- 17 responsible on behalf of the purchaser to assist the person
- 18 redeeming the property in computing the exact amount required to
- 19 redeem the property. The designee may charge a fee OF NOT MORE THAN
- 20 \$100.00 as stated in the affidavit and may be authorized by the
- 21 purchaser to receive redemption money. The purchaser shall accept
- 22 the amount computed by the designee.
- 23 (3) If a distinct lot or parcel separately sold is redeemed,
- 24 leaving a portion of the premises unredeemed, the deed is void only
- 25 to the redeemed parcel or parcels.
- 26 (4) If, after a sale under section 3216, the purchaser, the
- 27 purchaser's heirs or personal representative, or any person

- 1 lawfully claiming under the purchaser or the purchaser's heirs or
- 2 personal representative pays taxes assessed against the property,
- 3 amounts necessary to redeem senior liens from foreclosure,
- 4 condominium assessments, homeowner association assessments,
- 5 community association assessments, or premiums on an insurance
- 6 policy covering any buildings located on the property that under
- 7 the terms of the mortgage it would have been the duty of the
- 8 mortgagor to pay if the mortgage had not been foreclosed and that
- 9 are necessary to keep the policy in force until the expiration of
- 10 the period of redemption, redemption shall be made THE PROPERTY MAY
- 11 BE REDEEMED only upon ON payment of the sum AMOUNT specified in
- 12 subsection (2) plus the amounts specified in this subsection with
- 13 interest on the amounts specified in this subsection from the date
- 14 of the payment to the date of redemption at the interest rate
- 15 specified in the mortgage. This subsection does not apply unless
- 16 all of the following are filed with the register of deeds with whom
- 17 the deed is deposited:
- 18 (a) An affidavit by the purchaser or someone in his or her
- 19 behalf who has knowledge of the facts of the payment showing the
- 20 amount and items paid.
- 21 (b) The receipt or copy of the canceled check evidencing the
- 22 payment of the taxes, amounts necessary to redeem senior liens from
- 23 foreclosure, condominium assessments, homeowner association
- 24 assessments, community association assessments, or insurance
- 25 premiums.
- (c) An affidavit of an insurance agent of the insurance
- 27 company stating that the payment was made and what portion of the

- 1 payment covers the premium for the period before the expiration of
- 2 the period of redemption.
- 3 (5) If the redemption payment in subsection (4) includes an
- 4 amount used to redeem a senior lien from a nonjudicial foreclosure,
- 5 the mortgagor has the same defenses against the purchaser with
- 6 respect to the amount used to redeem the senior lien as the
- 7 mortgagor would have had against the senior lien.
- 8 (6) The register of deeds shall indorse on documents filed
- 9 under subsection (4) the time they are received. The register of
- 10 deeds shall record the affidavit of the purchaser only and shall
- 11 preserve in his or her files the recorded affidavit, receipts,
- 12 insurance receipts, and insurance agent's affidavit until
- 13 expiration of the period of redemption.
- 14 (7) Subject to section 3238, for a mortgage executed on or
- 15 after January 1, 1965, of commercial or industrial property, or
- 16 multifamily residential property in excess of 4 units, the
- 17 redemption period is 6 months from the date of the sale.
- 18 (8) Subject to subsections (9) to (11) and section 3238, for a
- 19 mortgage executed on or after January 1, 1965, of residential
- 20 property not exceeding 4 units, if the amount claimed to be due on
- 21 the mortgage at the date of the notice of foreclosure is more than
- 22 66-2/3% of the original indebtedness secured by the mortgage, the
- 23 redemption period is 6 months.
- (9) For a mortgage of residential property not exceeding 4
- 25 units, if the property is abandoned as determined under section
- 26 3241, the redemption period is 1 month.
- 27 (10) If the property is abandoned as determined under section

- 1 3241a, the redemption period is 30 days or until the time to
- 2 provide the notice required by section 3241a(c) expires, whichever
- 3 is later.
- 4 (11) Subject to section 3238, for a mortgage of property that
- 5 is used for agricultural purposes, the redemption period is 1 year
- 6 from the date of the sale.
- 7 (12) If subsections (7) to (11) do not apply, and subject to
- 8 section 3238, the redemption period is 1 year from the date of the
- 9 sale.
- 10 (13) The amount stated in any affidavits recorded under this
- 11 section shall be IS the amount necessary to satisfy the
- 12 requirements for redemption under this section.
- 13 (14) The register of deeds of a county with a population of
- 14 more than 750,000 and less than 1,500,000, at the request of a
- 15 person entitled to redeem the property under this section, shall
- 16 determine the amount necessary for redemption. In determining the
- 17 amount, the register of deeds shall consider only the affidavits
- 18 recorded under subsections (2) and (4). A county, register of
- 19 deeds, or employee of a county or register of deeds is not liable
- 20 for damages proximately caused by an incorrect determination of an
- 21 amount necessary for redemption under subsection (2).
- 22 (15) A register of deeds may charge not more than \$50.00 for
- 23 determining the amount necessary for redemption under this section.
- 24 (16) For purposes of this section, there is a presumption that
- 25 the property is used for agricultural purposes if, before the
- 26 foreclosure sale under this chapter, the mortgagor provides the
- 27 party foreclosing the mortgage and the foreclosing party's attorney

- 1 proof that the mortgagor filed a schedule F to the mortgagor's
- 2 federal income tax form 1040 for the year preceding the year in
- 3 which the proceedings to foreclose the mortgage were commenced and
- 4 records an affidavit with the register of deeds for the county in
- 5 which the property is located stating that the proof has been
- 6 delivered. If the mortgagor fails to provide proof and record an
- 7 affidavit as required by this subsection before the foreclosure
- 8 sale, there is a presumption that the property is not used for
- 9 agricultural purposes. The party foreclosing the mortgage or the
- 10 mortgagor may file a civil action to produce evidence to rebut a
- 11 presumption created by this subsection. An action under this
- 12 section shall SUBSECTION MUST be filed before the expiration of the
- 13 redemption period that would apply if the property is determined
- 14 not to be used for agricultural purposes.

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