## **HOUSE BILL NO. 6203**

November 26, 2024, Introduced by Rep. Skaggs and referred to the Committee on Economic Development and Small Business.

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A bill to amend 2005 PA 210, entitled "Commercial rehabilitation act,"
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by amending section 2 (MCL 207.842), as amended by 2011 PA 82.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 2. As used in this act:
- 2 (a) "Commercial property" means land improvements classified
- 3 by law for general ad valorem tax purposes as real property
- 4 including real property assessable as personal property pursuant to
- 5 under sections 8(d) and 14(6) of the general property tax act, 1893

- 1 PA 206, MCL 211.8 and 211.14, the primary purpose and use of which
- 2 is the operation of a commercial business enterprise or multifamily
- 3 residential use. Commercial property shall—also include includes
- 4 facilities related to a commercial business enterprise under the
- 5 same ownership at that location, including, but not limited to,
- 6 office, engineering, research and development, warehousing, parts
- 7 distribution, retail sales, and other commercial activities.
- 8 Commercial property also includes a building or group of contiguous
- 9 buildings previously used for industrial purposes that will be
- 10 converted to the operation of a commercial business enterprise.
- 11 Commercial property does not include any of the following:
- **12** (*i*) Land.
- 13 (ii) Property of a public utility.
- 14 (b) "Commercial rehabilitation district" or "district" means
- 15 an area not less than 3 acres in size of a qualified local
- 16 governmental unit established as provided in section 3. However, if
- 17 the commercial rehabilitation district is located in a downtown or
- 18 business area or contains a qualified retail food establishment, as
- 19 determined by the legislative body of the qualified local
- 20 governmental unit, the district may be less than 3 acres in size.
- 21 (c) "Commercial rehabilitation exemption certificate" or
- 22 "certificate" means the certificate issued under section 6.
- 23 (d) "Commercial rehabilitation tax" means the specific tax
- 24 levied under this act.
- (e) "Commission" means the state tax commission created by
- 26 1927 PA 360, MCL 209.101 to 209.107.
- (f) "Department" means the department of treasury.
- 28 (g) "Multifamily residential use" means multifamily housing
- 29 consisting of 5 or more units.

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(h) "Oualified facility" means a qualified retail food
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    establishment or a building or group of contiguous buildings of
    commercial property that is 15 years old or older or has been
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    allocated for a new markets tax credit under section 45D of the
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    internal revenue code of 1986, 26 USC 45D. Oualified facility also
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    includes a building or a group of contiguous buildings, a portion
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    of a building or group of contiguous buildings previously used for
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    commercial or industrial purposes, obsolete industrial property,
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    and vacant property which, that, within the immediately preceding
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    15 years, was commercial property. as defined in subdivision (a).
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    Qualified facility shall—also include includes vacant property
    located in a city with a population of more than 500,000 according
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    to the most recent federal decennial census and from which a
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    previous structure has been demolished and on which commercial
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    property is or will be newly constructed provided if an application
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    for a certificate has been filed with that city before July 1,
    2010. A qualified facility also includes a hotel or motel that has
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    additional meeting or convention space that is attached to a
    convention and trade center that is over 250,000 square feet in
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    size and that is located in a county with a population of more than
    1,100,000 and less than 1,600,000 as of the most recent decennial
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    census. A qualified facility does not include property that is to
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    be used as a professional sports stadium. A qualified facility does
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    not include property that is to be used as a casino. As used in
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    this subdivision, "casino" means a casino or a parking lot, hotel,
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    motel, or retail store owned or operated by a casino, an affiliate,
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    or an affiliated company, regulated by this state pursuant to the
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    Michigan gaming control and revenue act, Gaming Control and Revenue
    Act, 1996 IL 1, MCL 432.201 to 432.226.
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- (i) "Qualified local governmental unit" means a city, village,
   or township.
- 3 (j) "Qualified retail food establishment" means property that
  4 meets all of the following:
- 5 (i) The property will be used primarily as a retail
  6 supermarket, grocery store, produce market, or delicatessen that
  7 offers unprocessed USDA-inspected meat and poultry products or meat
  8 products that carry the USDA organic seal, fresh fruits and
  9 vegetables, and dairy products for sale to the public.
- 10 (ii) The property meets 1 of the following:

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- (A) Is located in a qualified local governmental unit that is also located in a qualified <del>local governmental</del> unit <del>as defined in section 2 of the obsolete property rehabilitation act, 2000 PA 146, MCL 125.2782, and is located in an underserved area.</del>
- (B) Is located in a qualified local governmental unit that is
  designated as rural as defined by the United States census bureau
  Census Bureau and is located in an underserved area.
- (iii) The property was used as residential, commercial, or
  industrial property as allowed and conducted under the applicable
  zoning ordinance for the immediately preceding 30 years.
  - (k) "Qualified unit" means 1 or more of the following:
- 22 (i) A city with a median family income of 150% or less of the 23 statewide median family income as reported in the 1990 federal 24 decennial census that meets 1 or more of the following criteria:
- 25 (A) Contains or has within its borders an eligible distressed 26 area as that term is defined in section 11(u)(ii) and (iii) of the 27 state housing development authority act of 1966, 1966 PA 346, MCL 28 125.1411.
- 29 (B) Is contiguous to a city with a population of 500,000 or

- 1 more.
- 2 (C) Has a population of 10,000 or more that is located outside
- 3 of an urbanized area as delineated by the United States Bureau of
- 4 the Census.
- 5 (D) Is the central city of a metropolitan area designated by
- 6 the United States Office of Management and Budget.
- 7 (E) Has a population of 100,000 or more that is located in a
- 8 county with a population of 2,000,000 or more according to the 1990
- 9 federal decennial census.
- 10 (ii) A township with a median family income of 150% or less of
- 11 the statewide median family income as reported in the 1990 federal
- 12 decennial census that meets 1 or more of the following criteria:
- 13 (A) Is contiguous to a city with a population of 500,000 or
- 14 more.
- 15 (B) All of the following:
- 16 (I) Contains or has within its borders an eligible distressed
- 17 area as that term is defined in section 11(u) (ii) of the state
- 18 housing development authority act of 1966, 1966 PA 346, MCL
- 19 125.1411.
- 20 (II) Has a population of 10,000 or more.
- 21 (iii) A village with a population of 500 or more as reported in
- 22 the 1990 federal decennial census located in an area designated as
- 23 a rural enterprise community before 1998 under title XIII of the
- 24 omnibus budget reconciliation act of 1993, Public Law 103-66.
- 25 (iv) A city that meets all of the following criteria:
- 26 (A) Has a population of more than 20,000 or less than 5,000
- 27 and is located in a county with a population of 2,000,000 or more
- 28 according to the 1990 federal decennial census.
- 29 (B) As of January 1, 2000, has an overall increase in the

- 1 state equalized valuation of real and personal property of less
- 2 than 65% of the statewide average increase since 1972 as determined
- 3 for the designation of eligible distressed areas under section
- 4 11(u)(ii) (B) of the state housing development authority act of 1966,
- 5 1966 PA 346, MCL 125.1411.
- 6 (l) (k)—"Rehabilitation" means changes to a qualified facility
- 7 that are required to restore or modify the property, together with
- 8 all appurtenances, to an economically efficient condition.
- 9 Rehabilitation includes major renovation and modification
- 10 including, but not necessarily limited to, the improvement of floor
- 11 loads, correction of deficient or excessive height, new or improved
- 12 fixed building equipment, including heating, ventilation, and
- 13 lighting, reducing multistory facilities to 1 or 2 stories,
- 14 improved structural support including foundations, improved roof
- 15 structure and cover, floor replacement, improved wall placement,
- 16 improved exterior and interior appearance of buildings, and other
- 17 physical changes required to restore or change the property to an
- 18 economically efficient condition. Rehabilitation for a qualified
- 19 retail food establishment also includes new construction.
- 20 Rehabilitation also includes new construction of a qualified
- 21 facility that is a hotel or motel that has additional meeting or
- 22 convention space that is attached to a convention and trade center
- 23 that is over 250,000 square feet in size that is located in a
- 24 county with a population of more than 1,100,000 and less than
- 25 1,600,000 as of the most recent decennial census, if that new
- 26 construction is an economic benefit to the local community as
- 27 determined by the qualified local governmental unit. Rehabilitation
- 28 also includes new construction on vacant property from which a
- 29 previous structure has been demolished and if the new construction

- 1 is an economic benefit to the local community as determined by the
- 2 qualified local governmental unit. Rehabilitation shall does not
- 3 include improvements aggregating less than 10% of the true cash
- 4 value of the property at commencement of the rehabilitation of the
- 5 qualified facility.
- 6 (m) (l) "Taxable value" means the value determined under
- 7 section 27a of the general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL
- **8** 211.27a.
- 9 (n) (m) "Underserved area" means an area determined by the
- 10 Michigan department of agriculture that contains a low or moderate
- 11 income census tract and a below average supermarket density, an
- 12 area that has a supermarket customer base with more than 50% living
- 13 in a low income census tract, or an area that has demonstrated
- 14 significant access limitations due to travel distance.
- 15 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
- 16 unless Senate Bill No. or House Bill No. (request no.
- 17 04434'23) of the 102nd Legislature is enacted into law.