HOUSE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 1175

A bill to amend 1975 PA 222, entitled "Higher education loan authority act," by amending section 5 (MCL 390.1155), as amended by 1984 PA 259.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 5. (1) The authority may issue its bonds in the prin-
- 2 cipal amounts necessary to provide funds for achieving its pur-
- 3 poses under this act including the payment of interest on bonds
- 4 of the authority, the establishment of reserves to secure the
- 5 bonds, and other expenditures of the authority incident to and
- 6 necessary or convenient to carry out its purposes and powers.
- 7 The authority may issue refunding bonds when it considers refund-
- 8 ing expedient, whether the bonds to be refunded have or have not
- 9 matured. The proceeds of the refunding bonds shall be applied to
- 10 the purchase, redemption, or payment of the bonds refunded.
- 11 Except as otherwise expressly provided in a resolution

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Senate Bill No. 1175 authorizing bonds, an issue of bonds shall be a general 1 2 obligation of the authority to be satisfied out of revenues or 3 money or other property of the authority, subject to an agreement with the holders of particular receipts, revenues, or other prop-4 erty of the authority which THAT has been pledged or 5 6 mortgaged. 7 (2) Unless an exception from prior approval is available pursuant to subsection (4), bonds BONDS issued by the authority 8 shall be approved by the municipal finance commission or its 9 10 successor agency but, except as provided by subsection (4), shall ARE not otherwise be subject to the municipal finance 11 12 act, Act No. 202 of the Public Acts of 1943, as amended, being 13 sections 131.1 to 139.3 of the Michigan Compiled Laws. In deter-14 mining whether a proposed issue of bonds should be approved, the municipal finance commission or its successor agency shall 15 16 consider: REVISED MUNICIPAL FINANCE ACT, 2001 PA 34, MCL 141.2101 TO 141.2821. 17 18 (a) Whether the bonds conform to this act. 19 (b) Whether the probable revenues pledged for payment of the 20 bonds will be sufficient to pay the principal and interest when 21 due. 22 (3) The authority shall authorize its bonds by resolution. 23 The bonds shall bear interest at a rate or rates, which are fixed 24 for the term of the bonds or which are calculated upon a formula 25 to vary; be in the denominations; be in a form approved by the authority; carry registration privileges; be executed in a 26 27 manner; be payable in a medium of payment; and at a place or

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Senate Bill No. 1175 3 places; be subject to terms of redemption; and be subject to 2 -such ANY other terms and conditions as the resolution or reso-3 lutions may provide. The bonds authorized -pursuant to UNDER this section may be sold by the authority at public or private 4 5 sale at a price determined by the authority. If the bonds are: 6 (a) Serial bonds or term bonds, or both, the bonds shall bear a date, and, if serial bonds, shall be payable either semi-7 annually or annually, and shall mature at a time or times, not 8 exceeding 40 years after the date of issue, as provided in the 9 10 resolution. 11 (b) Term loans, commercial paper, or other evidences of 12 indebtedness, the bonds shall bear a date or dates; and shall 13 mature at a time or times not exceeding 30 years after the date 14 of issue, as the resolution or resolutions shall provide. 15 - (4) The requirement of subsection (2) for obtaining the 16 prior approval of the municipal finance commission or its succes-17 sor agency before issuing bonds under this act shall be subject 18 to sections 10 and 11 of chapter III of Act No. 202 of the Public 19 Acts of 1943, being sections 133.10 and 133.11 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, and the department of treasury shall have the same 20 authority as provided by section 11 of chapter III of Act No. 202 21 22 of the Public Acts of 1943 to issue an order providing or denying 23 an exception from the prior approval required by subsection (2) 24 for bonds authorized by this act.

25 (4) THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND NOTES UNDER THIS ACT IS26 SUBJECT TO THE AGENCY FINANCING REPORTING ACT.

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- 1 (5) FOR THE PURPOSE OF MORE EFFECTIVELY MANAGING ITS DEBT
- 2 SERVICE, THE AUTHORITY MAY ENTER INTO AN INTEREST RATE EXCHANGE
- 3 OR SWAP, HEDGE, OR SIMILAR AGREEMENT WITH RESPECT TO ITS BONDS OR
- 4 NOTES ON THE TERMS AND PAYABLE FROM THE SOURCES AND WITH THE
- 5 SECURITY, IF ANY, AS DETERMINED BY A RESOLUTION OF THE AUTHORITY.