SUBSTITUTE FOR

SENATE BILL NO. 1167

A bill to amend 2000 PA 322, entitled "Julian-Stille value-added act,"

(MCL 285.301 to 285.304) by adding section 2b; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 SEC. 2B. (1) THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT, FOR THE PURPOSE
- 2 OF PROMOTING INNOVATION IN MICHIGAN AGRICULTURE AND IN AN EFFORT TO
- 3 MAKE MORE EARLY-STAGE CAPITAL AVAILABLE TO THE AGRICULTURE
- 4 INDUSTRY, SHALL CONVENE AN AGRICULTURAL VALUE-ADDED
- 5 COMMERCIALIZATION ROUNDTABLE TO DISCUSS ALL FACETS OF THE
- 6 COMMERCIALIZATION OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, PROCESSES, AND
- 7 SERVICES, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE AVAILABILITY OF
- 8 CAPITAL, INNOVATION INFRASTRUCTURE, AND UNIVERSITY LICENSING OF

- 1 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY. THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT SHALL INVITE
- 2 AT LEAST ALL OF THE FOLLOWING TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ROUNDTABLE:
- 3 (A) THREE INDIVIDUALS FROM AN ASSOCIATION REPRESENTING
- 4 FARMERS.
- 5 (B) TWO INDIVIDUALS FROM AN ASSOCIATION REPRESENTING FOOD
- 6 PROCESSORS.
- 7 (C) TWO INDIVIDUALS FROM AN ASSOCIATION REPRESENTING
- 8 AGRIBUSINESS.
- 9 (D) TWO INDIVIDUALS REPRESENTING AGRICULTURAL LENDING
- 10 INSTITUTIONS.
- 11 (E) ONE INDIVIDUAL REPRESENTING AN INSTITUTE OF HIGHER
- 12 EDUCATION.
- 13 (F) ONE INDIVIDUAL REPRESENTING THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT
- 14 OF AGRICULTURE -- RURAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY.
- 15 (G) ONE INDIVIDUAL REPRESENTING THE MICHIGAN STRATEGIC FUND.
- 16 (H) ONE INDIVIDUAL REPRESENTING THE RURAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
- 17 OF MICHIGAN.
- 18 (2) THE FIRST MEETING OF THE ROUNDTABLE SHALL BE CONVENED BY
- 19 THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT WITHIN 90 DAYS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE
- 20 DATE OF THIS SECTION. THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CONVENE
- 21 THE ROUNDTABLE AT LEAST TWICE EACH CALENDAR YEAR, EXCEPT THAT IF
- 22 THIS SECTION TAKES EFFECT AFTER SEPTEMBER 30, THE ROUNDTABLE SHALL
- 23 CONVENE AT LEAST ONCE THE FIRST CALENDAR YEAR. THE ROUNDTABLE MAY
- 24 ADVISE THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT ON THE NEED FOR A MORE
- 25 FREQUENT MEETING SCHEDULE. THE MEETINGS OF THE ROUNDTABLE SHALL BE
- 26 OPEN TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC AND SHALL BE HELD IN A PLACE AVAILABLE
- 27 TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PROVIDE NOTICE OF EACH

- 1 MEETING OF THE ROUNDTABLE BY POSTING ON THE DEPARTMENT WEBSITE AND
- 2 SUCH OTHER MEANS AS THE DEPARTMENT DETERMINES APPROPRIATE. AT LEAST
- 3 1 MEETING OF THE ROUNDTABLE EACH YEAR SHALL BE HELD IN A RURAL
- 4 COMMUNITY. AT SUCH A MEETING, THE PUBLIC SHALL BE PROVIDED AN
- 5 OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE ROUNDTABLE ON ISSUES WITHIN ITS PURVIEW.
- 6 THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PREPARE A SUMMARY OF EACH MEETING OF THE
- 7 ROUNDTABLE INCLUDING A DEPARTMENT RESPONSE TO ISSUES RAISED DURING
- 8 THE ROUNDTABLE MEETING. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DO BOTH OF THE
- 9 FOLLOWING:
- 10 (A) POST THE SUMMARY ON ITS WEBSITE.
- 11 (B) PROVIDE A COPY OF THE SUMMARY TO THE MEMBERS OF THE
- 12 ROUNDTABLE, TO ANY MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTING A COPY, AND TO
- 13 THE STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
- 14 DEALING PRIMARILY WITH AGRICULTURAL ISSUES.
- 15 (3) THIS SECTION IS REPEALED EFFECTIVE 2 YEARS AFTER THE
- 16 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION.
- 17 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
- 18 unless all of the following bills of the 93rd Legislature are
- 19 enacted into law:
- 20 (a) Senate Bill No. 1168.
- 21 (b) Senate Bill No. 1169.