HB-4482, As Passed Senate, December 17, 2014

SUBSTITUTE FOR

HOUSE BILL NO. 4482

A bill to amend 1984 PA 270, entitled

"Michigan strategic fund act,"

by amending section 7 (MCL 125.2007), as amended by 2005 PA 225; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 7. The fund shall have the powers and duties provided in
 this act, the powers delegated by other laws or executive orders,
 including, but not limited to, the power to:

4 (a) Sue and be sued; to have a seal and alter the same at
5 pleasure; to have perpetual succession; to make, execute, and
6 deliver contracts, conveyances, and other instruments necessary or
7 convenient to the exercise of its powers; and to make and amend
8 bylaws.

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(b) Solicit and accept gifts, grants, loans, and other aids
 from any person or the federal, state, or a local government or any
 agency of the federal, state, or a local government, or to
 participate in any other way in any federal, state, or local
 government program.

6 (c) Make grants, loans, and investments; to guarantee and
7 insure loans, leases, bonds, notes, or other indebtedness, whether
8 public or private; and to issue letters of credit.

9 (d) Construct; acquire by gift, purchase, installment
10 purchase, or lease; and reconstruct, improve, repair, or equip a
11 project or any part of a project.

12 (e) Borrow money and issue bonds and notes to finance part or all of the project costs of a project, or of a loan under 13 14 subdivision (r) for an export transaction, and to secure those 15 bonds and notes by mortgage, assignment, or pledge of any of its money, revenues, income, and properties. The authority provided by 16 this subdivision includes, but is not limited to, issuing bonds and 17 notes to acquire and install machinery, equipment, furnishings, and 18 19 other personal property, notwithstanding that the fund does not own 20 or propose to own or finance the building or land in or near to 21 which the machinery, equipment, furnishings, and other personal 22 property is or is to be located.

(f) Acquire or contract to acquire from any person,
municipality, the federal or state government, or any agency of the
foregoing, or otherwise, leaseholds, real or personal property or
any interest in real or personal property; to own, hold, clear,
improve, and rehabilitate and to sell, assign, exchange, transfer,

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convey, lease, mortgage, or otherwise dispose of or encumber
 leaseholds, real or personal property or any interest in real or
 personal property, as is convenient for the accomplishment of the
 purposes of this act and of the fund.

5 (g) Procure insurance against any loss in connection with the6 fund's property, assets, or activities.

7 (h) Invest any money of the fund at the fund's discretion, in
8 any obligations determined proper by the fund, and name and use
9 depositories for its money.

(i) Engage personnel as is necessary and engage the services of private consultants, managers, counsel, auditors, engineers, and scientists for rendering professional management and technical assistance and advice, payable out of any money of the fund legally available for this purpose.

(j) Charge, impose, and collect fees and charges in connection
with any transaction and provide for reasonable penalties for
delinquent payment of fees or charges.

18 (k) Indemnify and procure insurance indemnifying any members 19 of the board from personal loss or accountability from liability 20 asserted by a person on the bonds or notes of the fund or from any 21 personal liability or accountability by reason of the issuance of 22 the bonds, notes, insurance, or guarantees; by reason of 23 acquisition, construction, ownership, or operation of a project; or 24 by reason of any other action taken or the failure to act by the 25 fund.

26 (*l*) Enter into a lease for the use or sale of a project. The27 lease may provide for options to purchase or renew.

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(m) Mortgage or create security interests in a project or any
 part of a project, or in a lease or loan, or in the rents,
 revenues, or sums to be paid thereunder, in favor of the holders of
 the bonds or notes issued by the fund.

5 (n) Convey or release a project or any part of a project to a lessee, purchaser, or borrower under any agreement after provision 6 has been made for the retirement in full of the bonds or notes 7 issued for that project under terms and conditions provided in the 8 9 agreement or as may be agreed with the holders of the bonds or 10 notes, at any time where the obligation of the lessee, purchaser, 11 or borrower to make the payments prescribed shall remain fixed as 12 provided in the agreement notwithstanding the conveyance or 13 release, or as may otherwise be agreed with the holders of the bonds or notes. 14

(o) Make loans, participate in the making of loans, undertake 15 commitments to make loans and mortgages, buy and sell loans and 16 mortgages at public or private sale, rewrite loans and mortgages, 17 18 discharge loans and mortgages, foreclose on a mortgage, commence an 19 action to protect or enforce a right conferred upon the fund by a 20 law, mortgage, loan, contract, or other agreement, bid for and 21 purchase property which was the subject of the mortgage at a 22 foreclosure or other sale, acquire or take possession of the property and in that event complete, administer, pay the principal 23 24 and interest on obligations incurred in connection with that 25 property, and dispose of and otherwise deal with the property, in a 26 manner as may be necessary or desirable to protect the interests of 27 the fund.

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(p) Certify, for the purpose of determining eligible
 investments for the basis of a single business tax credit, minority
 venture capital companies, as defined by law.

4 (q) Except as otherwise provided in this subdivision, to
5 create and operate centers, accounts, and funds as required or
6 permitted by law for the use and disbursement of assets of the
7 fund. The powers granted under this subdivision do not apply to
8 chapter 8A.

9 (r) To make MAKE loans to a financial institution to
10 facilitate financing of all or part of an export related
11 transaction including, but not limited to, pre-export working
12 capital financing and postexport receivable financing.

(S) PROCURE GOODS AND SERVICES, PURCHASE AND SELL REAL AND
PERSONAL PROPERTY, AND LEASE PROPERTY INDEPENDENT OF ANY OTHER
DEPARTMENT OR STATE AGENCY.

16 (T) APPOINT ANY INDIVIDUALS, INCLUDING STRATEGIC FUND
17 EMPLOYEES AND MEDC EMPLOYEES, TO BOARDS TO REPRESENT THE INTERESTS
18 OF THE FUND.

(U) ESTABLISH AND OPERATE A JOB TRAINING FUND THAT WILL
 SUPPORT THE TRAINING OF WORKERS FOR MICHIGAN BUSINESSES AS
 DETERMINED BY THE FUND.

(V) ESTABLISH AND OPERATE A BROWNFIELD HISTORIC INVESTMENT
 PROGRAM THAT PROVIDES CAPITAL FOR PROJECTS AS DETERMINED BY THE
 FUND.

25 (W) TAKE NECESSARY AND REASONABLE STEPS TO PURSUE REPAYMENT OF
26 FUNDS DISBURSED FOR ANY GRANT OR LOAN FOR FAILING TO COMPLY WITH
27 PROVISIONS OF A WRITTEN AGREEMENT AS REQUIRED UNDER SECTION

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1 88R(2)(B)(iv) AND SECTION 90B(7).

(X) (s) Do all other things necessary or convenient to achieve
the objectives and purposes of the fund, this act, or other laws
that relate to the purposes and responsibilities of the fund.
Enacting section 1. Section 89d of the Michigan strategic fund
act, 1984 PA 270, MCL 125.2089d, is repealed.

7 Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect
8 unless House Bill No. 4480 of the 97th Legislature is enacted into
9 law.