COMMERCIAL REHABILITATION ACT (EXCERPT)
Act 210 of 2005

207.848 Separate finding; contents; compliance; requirements; applicability; exception.

Sec. 8. (1) If the taxable value of the property proposed to be exempt pursuant to an application under consideration, considered together with the aggregate taxable value of property exempt under certificates previously granted and currently in force under this act or under 1974 PA 198, MCL 207.551 to 207.572, exceeds 5% of the taxable value of the qualified local governmental unit, the legislative body of the qualified local governmental unit shall make a separate finding and shall include a statement in its resolution approving the application that exceeding that amount shall not have the effect of substantially impeding the operation of the qualified local governmental unit or impairing the financial soundness of an affected taxing unit.

(2) The legislative body of the qualified local governmental unit shall not approve an application for a commercial rehabilitation exemption certificate unless the applicant complies with all of the following requirements:

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this subdivision or subsection (3), the commencement of the rehabilitation of the qualified facility does not occur earlier than 6 months before the applicant files the application for the commercial rehabilitation exemption certificate. However, through December 31, 2009, for a qualified facility that is a qualified retail food establishment, the commencement of the rehabilitation does not occur earlier than 42 months before the applicant files the application for the commercial rehabilitation exemption certificate.

(b) The application relates to a rehabilitation program that when completed constitutes a qualified facility within the meaning of this act and that shall be situated within a commercial rehabilitation district established in a qualified local governmental unit eligible under this act.

(c) Completion of the qualified facility is calculated to, and will at the time of issuance of the certificate have the reasonable likelihood to, increase commercial activity, create employment, retain employment, prevent a loss of employment, revitalize urban areas, or increase the number of residents in the community in which the qualified facility is situated.

(d) The applicant states, in writing, that the rehabilitation of the qualified facility, excluding qualified retail food establishments through December 31, 2009, would not be undertaken without the applicant's receipt of the exemption certificate.

(e) The applicant is not delinquent in the payment of any taxes related to the qualified facility.

(3) The provisions of subsection (2)(a) and (d) and the provision contained in section 4(1) that provides that the district must be established before an application is filed do not apply to the rehabilitation of a qualified facility located in a commercial rehabilitation district established by the legislative body of the qualified local governmental unit in 2011 for construction or rehabilitation that was commenced in August 2010 and for which an application for a commercial rehabilitation exemption certificate was filed in June 2010.

(4) For certificates issued by the commission after January 1, 2018, if the clerk of the qualified local governmental unit failed to forward an application that was approved by the legislative body of the qualified local governmental unit before October 31 of that year to the commission before October 31 of that same year but filed the application with the commission before October 31 of the immediately succeeding year and the commission approves that application, then the effective date of that certificate is December 31 of the year in which the qualified local governmental unit approved the application.


Compiler's note: Enacting section 1 of Act 44 of 2019 provides:
"Enacting section 1. This amendatory act is intended to be retroactive and effective beginning December 31, 2017."