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SUBSTITUTE FOR  
SENATE BILL NO. 516

(As Passed the Senate May 18, 1999)

A bill to amend 1943 PA 183, entitled  
"County zoning act,"  
by amending section 20 (MCL 125.220).

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1       Sec. 20. (1) The county board of zoning appeals shall ~~act~~  
2 ~~upon all questions as they may~~ HEAR AND DECIDE QUESTIONS THAT  
3 arise in the administration of the zoning ordinance, including  
4 the interpretation of the zoning maps, and may ~~fix~~ ADOPT rules  
5 to govern its procedure sitting as a board of appeals. It shall  
6 hear and decide appeals from and review an order, requirement,  
7 decision, or determination made by an administrative official or  
8 body charged with enforcement of an ordinance adopted pursuant to  
9 this act. It shall also hear and decide all matters referred to  
10 it or upon which it is required to pass under an ordinance  
11 adopted pursuant to this act. For special land use and planned

1 unit development decisions, an appeal may be taken to the board  
2 of appeals only if provided for in the zoning ordinance.

3       (2) The concurring vote of a majority of the members of the  
4 county board of zoning appeals ~~shall be~~ IS necessary to reverse  
5 an order, requirement, decision, or determination of the adminis-  
6 trative official or body, or to decide in favor of the applicant  
7 a matter upon which the board is required to pass under the  
8 ordinance, or to ~~effect a variation~~ GRANT A VARIANCE in the  
9 ordinance. ~~The~~ AN appeal may be taken by a person aggrieved or  
10 by an officer, department, board, or bureau of the township,  
11 county, or state. IN ADDITION, A VARIANCE IN THE ORDINANCE MAY  
12 BE APPLIED FOR AND GRANTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 4 OF THE UNIFORM  
13 CONDEMNATION PROCEDURES ACT, 1980 PA 87, MCL 213.54, AND THIS  
14 ACT. The COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS SHALL STATE THE grounds  
15 of each determination. ~~shall be stated.~~