

HOUSE BILL No. 4433

March 1, 2005, Introduced by Reps. Casperson, Caul, Moolenaar, Newell, Elsenheimer and Huizenga and referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

A bill to allow the display of the Ten Commandments on public property under certain circumstances.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 1. (1) A document or other object that contains the Ten
2 Commandments may be displayed on public property if all of the
3 following circumstances exist:

4 (a) It is displayed with other documents, public records, or
5 objects of historical significance that have formed and influenced
6 the legal or governmental system of the United States.

7 (b) It is displayed in the same manner as other documents,
8 public records, or objects that are displayed at the same time and
9 location.

10 (c) The display does not focus more attention on it than on

1 other documents, public records, or other objects that are
2 displayed at the same time and location.

3 (2) As used in this act, "public property" means a building or
4 land owned, possessed, or leased by this state or a county, city,
5 township, village, school district, or other governmental unit.