

HOUSE BILL No. 6656

November 14, 2006, Introduced by Reps. Kolb and Zelenko and referred to the Committee on Commerce.

A bill to authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds of this state to finance public and private energy efficiency initiatives; to pledge the full faith and credit of this state for the payment of principal and interest on the bonds; to pay for issuing the bonds; to provide for other measures relating to the bonds; and to provide for the submission of the question of the issuance of the bonds to the electors of this state.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the
2 "Michigan energy efficiency initiative bond authorization act".

3 Sec. 2. This state shall borrow a sum not to exceed
4 \$10,000,000.00 and issue the general obligation bonds of this
5 state, pledging the full faith and credit of this state for the
6 payment of principal and interest on the bonds, to finance up to

1 \$10,000,000.00 for public and private energy efficiency
2 initiatives.

3 Sec. 3. Bonds shall be issued pursuant to conditions, methods,
4 and procedures to be established by law.

5 Sec. 4. The proceeds of the sale of the bonds or any series of
6 the bonds, any premium and accrued interest received on the
7 delivery of the bonds, and any interest earned on the proceeds of
8 the bonds shall be deposited in the state treasury and credited to
9 the Michigan energy efficiency initiative bond fund created in the
10 Michigan energy efficiency initiative bond implementation act and
11 shall be disbursed from that fund only for the purposes for which
12 the bonds have been authorized, including the expense of issuing
13 the bonds. The proceeds of sale of the bonds or any series of the
14 bonds, any premium and accrued interest received on the delivery of
15 the bonds, and any interest earned on the proceeds of the bonds
16 shall be expended for the purposes set forth in this act in a
17 manner as provided by law.

18 Sec. 5. The question of borrowing a sum not to exceed
19 \$10,000,000.00 and the issuance of the general obligation bonds of
20 this state for the purposes set forth in this act shall be
21 submitted to a vote of the electors of this state qualified to vote
22 on the question pursuant to section 15 of article IX of the state
23 constitution of 1963, at the next general election. The question
24 submitted to the electors shall be substantially as follows:

25 "Shall the state of Michigan borrow a sum not to exceed
26 \$10,000,000.00 and issue general obligation bonds of this state,
27 pledging the full faith and credit of this state for the payment of

1 principal and interest on the bonds to finance up to \$10,000,000.00
2 for public and private energy efficiency initiatives, with the
3 method of repayment of the bonds to be from the general fund of
4 this state?

5 Yes.....

6 No..... .".

7 Sec. 6. The secretary of state shall perform all acts
8 necessary to properly submit the question prescribed by section 5
9 to the electors of this state qualified to vote on the question at
10 the next general November election.

11 Sec. 7. (1) After the issuance of the bonds authorized by this
12 act, there shall be appropriated from the general fund of this
13 state each fiscal year a sufficient amount to pay promptly, when
14 due, the principal of and interest on all outstanding bonds
15 authorized by this act and the costs incidental to the payment of
16 the bonds.

17 (2) The governor shall include the appropriation provided in
18 subsection (1) in the governor's annual executive budget
19 recommendations to the legislature.

20 Sec. 8. Bonds shall not be issued under this act unless the
21 question set forth in section 5 is approved by a majority vote of
22 the qualified electors voting on the question.