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Introduced by Senators Basham, Jelinek, Switalski, Thomas, Jacobs and Clark-Coleman

ENROLLED SENATE BILL No. 254

AN ACT to amend 1921 PA 207, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment in cities and villages of districts or zones within which the use of land and structures and the height, area, size, and location of buildings may be regulated by ordinance, and for which districts regulations shall be established for the light and ventilation of those buildings, and for which districts or zones the density of population may be regulated by ordinance; to designate the use of certain state licensed residential facilities; to provide by ordinance for the acquisition by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise of private property that does not conform to the regulations and restrictions of the various zones or districts provided; to provide for the administering of this act; to provide for amendments, supplements, or changes in zoning ordinances, zones, or districts; to provide for conflict with the state housing code or other acts, ordinances, or regulations; to provide sanctions for the violation of this act; to authorize the purchase of development rights; to authorize the issuance of bonds and notes; and to provide for special assessments," by amending section 4 (MCL 125.584), as amended by 2000 PA 383.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

Sec. 4. (1) The legislative body of a city or village may provide by ordinance for the manner in which regulations and boundaries of districts or zones shall be determined and enforced or amended, supplemented, or changed. At least 1 public hearing shall be held by the commission appointed to recommend zoning regulations or, if a commission does not exist, by the legislative body before a regulation becomes effective. Not less than 15 days' notice of the time and place of the public hearing shall first be published in an official paper or a paper of general circulation in the city or village. Not less than 15 days' notice of the time and place of the public hearing shall first be given by mail to each public utility company and each railroad company owning or operating any public utility or railroad within the districts or zones affected, and the airport manager of each airport, that registers its name and mailing address with the city or village clerk for the purpose of receiving the notice. An affidavit of mailing shall be maintained. A hearing shall be granted to an interested person at the time and place specified on the notice.

(2) The legislative body of a city or village, unless otherwise provided by charter, may appoint a commission to recommend in the first instance the boundaries of districts and appropriate regulations to be enforced in the districts. If a city or village has a planning commission, that commission shall be appointed to perform the duties set forth in this section. The commission shall make a tentative report and hold at least 1 public hearing before submitting its final report to the legislative body. A summary of the comments submitted at the public hearing shall be transmitted with the report of the commission to the legislative body. The legislative body may hold additional public hearings if it considers it necessary or as may be required by charter.

(3) In a city or village having a commission appointed to recommend zoning requirements, the legislative body shall not in the first instance determine the boundaries of districts or impose regulations until after the final report of the commission. The legislative body of the city or village shall not amend the ordinance or maps after they are adopted in the first instance until the proposed amendment has been submitted to the commission and it has held at least 1 hearing

and made report on the amendment. The legislative body may adopt the ordinance and maps, with or without amendments, after receipt of the commission's report, or refer the ordinance and maps again to the commission for a further report.

(4) After the ordinance and maps have in the first instance been approved by the legislative body of a city or village, amendments or supplements to the ordinance may be made as provided in this section, except that if an individual property or several adjacent properties are proposed for rezoning, notice of the proposed rezoning and hearing shall include a list of all existing street addresses within the proposed rezoned property and be given to the owners of the property proposed for rezoning at least 15 days before the hearing.

(5) Upon presentation of a protest petition meeting the requirements of this subsection, an amendment to a zoning ordinance shall be passed only by a 2/3 vote of the legislative body, unless a larger vote, but not to exceed 3/4 vote, is required by ordinance or charter. The protest petition shall be presented to the legislative body before final legislative action on the amendment and shall be signed by 1 of the following:

(a) The owners of at least 20% of the area of land included in the proposed change.

(b) The owners of at least 20% of the area of land included within an area extending outward 100 feet from any point on the boundary of the land included in the proposed change.

(6) For purposes of subsection (5), publicly owned land shall be excluded in calculating the 20% land area requirement.

(7) Following adoption of a zoning ordinance and subsequent amendments by the legislative body of a city or village, 1 notice of adoption shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the city or village within 15 days after adoption. Promptly following adoption of a zoning ordinance or subsequent amendment by the legislative body of the city or village, a copy of the notice of adoption shall also be mailed to the airport manager of an airport entitled to notice under subsection (1).

(8) The notice of adoption under subsection (7) shall include the following information:

(a) In the case of a newly adopted zoning ordinance, the following statement: "A zoning ordinance regulating the development and use of land has been adopted by the city (village) council of the city (village) of _____".

(b) In the case of an amendment to an existing ordinance, either a summary of the regulatory effect of the amendment, including the geographic area affected, or the text of the amendment.

(c) The effective date of the ordinance.

(d) The place and time where a copy of the ordinance may be purchased or inspected. The filing and publication requirements in this section relating to city and village zoning ordinances supersede charter provisions relating to the filing and publication of city and village ordinances.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Clerk of the House of Representatives

Approved _____

Governor