SUBSTITUTE FOR

HOUSE BILL NO. 5297

A bill to amend 2002 PA 660, entitled "Consumer mortgage protection act," by amending sections 6 and 7 (MCL 445.1636 and 445.1637).

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 6. At the time a person applies for a mortgage HOME loan,
- 2 the lender CREDITOR shall provide the applicant the following
- 3 document:
- 4 "BORROWERS BILL OF RIGHTS
- 5 1. You have the RIGHT to shop for the best loan for you and
- 6 compare the charges of different mortgage brokers and lenders.
- 7 2. You have the RIGHT to be informed about the total cost of
- 8 your loan including the interest rate, points, and other fees.
- 9 3. You have the RIGHT to obtain a "Good Faith Estimate" of all
- 10 loan and settlement charges before you agree to the loan or pay any
- 11 fees.

- 1 4. You have the RIGHT to know what fees are nonrefundable if
- 2 you decide to withdraw your loan application.
- 3 5. You have the RIGHT to ask your mortgage broker to explain
- 4 exactly what the mortgage broker will do for you.
- 5 6. You have the RIGHT to know how much the mortgage broker is
- 6 getting paid by you and the lender for your loan.
- 7. You have the RIGHT to ask questions about charges and loan
- 8 terms that you do not understand.
- 9 8. You have the RIGHT to a credit decision that is not based
- 10 on your race, color, religion, national origin, sex, marital
- 11 status, age, or whether any income is derived from public
- 12 assistance.
- 9. You have the RIGHT to know the reason if your loan
- 14 application is turned down.".
- 15 10. You have the RIGHT to receive the HUD settlement costs
- 16 booklet "Buying Your Home"."
- 17 Sec. 7. At the time a person applies for a mortgage HOME loan,
- 18 the lender CREDITOR shall provide the applicant the following
- 19 written notice regarding the value of receiving credit counseling
- 20 before taking out a mortgage HOME loan and a list of the nearest
- 21 available HUD-approved credit counseling agencies:
- 22 "CONSUMER CAUTION AND HOME OWNERSHIP COUNSELING NOTICE
- 23 If you obtain this loan, the lender will have a mortgage on
- 24 your home. You could lose your home, and all money you have
- 25 invested in it, if you do not meet your obligations under the loan,
- 26 including making all your payments.
- 27 Mortgage loans rates and closing costs and fees vary based on

- 1 many factors, including your particular credit and financial
- 2 circumstances, your earnings history, the loan-to-value requested,
- 3 and the type of property that will secure your loan. Higher rates
- 4 and fees may be applicable depending on the individual
- 5 circumstances of a particular consumer's application.
- 6 You should shop around and compare loan rates and fees. This
- 7 particular loan may have a higher rate and total points and fees
- 8 than other mortgage loans. You should consider consulting a
- 9 qualified independent credit counselor or other experienced
- 10 financial adviser regarding the rate, fees, and provisions of this
- 11 mortgage loan before you proceed. For information on contacting a
- 12 qualified credit counselor, ask your lender or call the United
- 13 States Department of Housing and Urban Development's counseling
- 14 hotline at 1-888-466-3487 for a list of counselors.
- 15 You are not required to complete any loan agreement merely
- 16 because you have received these disclosures or have signed a loan
- 17 application. If you proceed with this mortgage loan, you should
- 18 also remember that you may face serious financial risks if you use
- 19 this loan to pay off credit card debts and other debts in
- 20 connection with this transaction and then subsequently incur
- 21 significant new credit card charges or other debts.
- 22 Property taxes and homeowner's insurance are your
- 23 responsibility. Not all lenders provide escrow services for these
- 24 payments. You should ask your lender about these services.
- 25 Your payments on existing debts contribute to your credit
- 26 ratings. You should not accept any advice to ignore your regular
- 27 payments to your existing creditors.".

- 1 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
- 2 unless all of the following bills of the 94th Legislature are
- 3 enacted into law:
- 4 (a) House Bill No. 5294.
- 5 (b) House Bill No. 5295.
- 6 (c) House Bill No. 5296.
- 7 (d) House Bill No. 5299.
- **8** (e) House Bill No. 5300.
- 9 (f) House Bill No. 5301.
- 10 (g) House Bill No. 5302.
- 11 (h) House Bill No. 5303.