SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 5142

A bill to amend 2005 PA 280, entitled
"Corridor improvement authority act,"
by amending sections 2, 4, 6, and 8 (MCL 125.2872, 125.2874,
125.2876, and 125.2878), sections 2 and 6 as amended by 2008 PA 44.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 2. As used in this act:
- 2 (a) "Advance" means a transfer of funds made by a municipality
- 3 to an authority or to another person on behalf of the authority in
- 4 anticipation of repayment by the authority. Evidence of the intent
- 5 to repay an advance may include, but is not limited to, an executed
- 6 agreement to repay, provisions contained in a tax increment
- 7 financing plan approved prior to the advance, or a resolution of
- 8 the authority or the municipality.
- 9 (b) "Assessed value" means the taxable value as determined

- 1 under section 27a of the general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL
- **2** 211.27a.
- 3 (c) "Authority" means a corridor improvement authority created
- 4 under this act SECTION 4(1) OR A JOINT AUTHORITY CREATED UNDER
- 5 SECTION 4(2).
- 6 (d) "Board" means the governing body of an authority.
- 7 (e) "Business district" means an area of a municipality zoned
- 8 and used principally for business.
- 9 (f) "Captured assessed value" means the amount in any 1 year
- 10 by which the current assessed value of the development area,
- 11 including the assessed value of property for which specific local
- 12 taxes are paid in lieu of property taxes as determined in section
- 13 3(d), exceeds the initial assessed value. The state tax commission
- 14 shall prescribe the method for calculating captured assessed value.
- 15 (g) "Chief executive officer" means the mayor of a city, the
- 16 president of a village, or the supervisor of a township.
- 17 (h) "Development area" means that area described in section 5
- 18 to which a development plan is applicable.
- 19 (i) "Development plan" means that information and those
- 20 requirements for a development area set forth in section 21.
- 21 (j) "Development program" means the implementation of the
- 22 development plan.
- 23 (k) "Fiscal year" means the fiscal year of the authority.
- 24 (1) "Governing body" or "governing body of a municipality"
- 25 means the elected body of a municipality having legislative powers
- 26 OR, FOR A JOINT AUTHORITY CREATED UNDER SECTION 4(2), THE ELECTED
- 27 BODY OF EACH MUNICIPALITY HAVING LEGISLATIVE POWERS THAT IS A

1 MEMBER OF THE JOINT AUTHORITY.

- 2 (m) "Initial assessed value" means the assessed value, as
- 3 equalized, of all the taxable property within the boundaries of the
- 4 development area at the time the resolution establishing the tax
- 5 increment financing plan is approved, as shown by the most recent
- 6 assessment roll of the municipality for which equalization has been
- 7 completed at the time the resolution is adopted. Property exempt
- 8 from taxation at the time of the determination of the initial
- 9 assessed value shall be included as zero. For the purpose of
- 10 determining initial assessed value, property for which a specific
- 11 local tax is paid in lieu of a property tax shall not be considered
- 12 to be property that is exempt from taxation. The initial assessed
- 13 value of property for which a specific local tax was paid in lieu
- 14 of a property tax shall be determined as provided in section 3(d).
- (n) "Land use plan" means a plan prepared under former 1921 PA
- 16 207, former 1943 PA 184, or a site plan under the Michigan zoning
- 17 enabling act, 2006 PA 110, MCL 125.3101 to 125.3702.
- 18 (o) "Municipality" means 1 of the following:
- 19 (i) A city.
- 20 (ii) A village.
- 21 (iii) A township.
- 22 (iv) A COMBINATION OF 2 OR MORE CITIES, VILLAGES, OR TOWNSHIPS
- 23 ACTING JOINTLY UNDER A JOINT AUTHORITY CREATED UNDER SECTION 4(2).
- Sec. 4. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a
- 25 municipality may establish multiple authorities. A parcel of
- 26 property shall not be included in more than 1 authority created
- 27 under this act.

- 1 (2) A CITY, VILLAGE, OR TOWNSHIP LOCATED IN A COUNTY WITH A
- 2 POPULATION OF MORE THAN 335,000 AND LESS THAN 415,000 AND THAT HAS
- 3 NOT LESS THAN 2 STATE PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES WITHIN ITS BOUNDARIES MAY
- 4 BY RESOLUTION JOIN WITH 1 OR MORE CITIES, VILLAGES, OR TOWNSHIPS
- 5 LOCATED IN A COUNTY WITH A POPULATION OF MORE THAN 335,000 AND LESS
- 6 THAN 415,000 AND THAT HAS NOT LESS THAN 2 STATE PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES
- 7 WITHIN ITS BOUNDARIES TO CREATE A JOINT AUTHORITY UNDER THIS ACT.
- 8 (3) (2)—An authority is a public body corporate which may sue
- 9 and be sued in any court of this state. An authority possesses all
- 10 the powers necessary to carry out its purpose. The enumeration of a
- 11 power in this act shall not be construed as a limitation upon the
- 12 general powers of an authority.
- Sec. 6. (1) If the governing body of a municipality determines
- 14 that it is necessary for the best interests of the public to
- 15 redevelop its commercial corridors and to promote economic growth,
- 16 the governing body may, by resolution, declare DO 1 OF THE
- 17 FOLLOWING:
- 18 (A) DECLARE its intention to create and provide for the
- 19 operation of an authority.
- 20 (B) DECLARE ITS INTENTION TO JOINTLY CREATE AND PROVIDE FOR
- 21 THE OPERATION OF A JOINT AUTHORITY CREATED UNDER SECTION 4(2).
- 22 (2) In the resolution of intent, the governing body shall
- 23 state that the proposed development area meets the criteria in
- 24 section 5, set a date for a public hearing on the adoption of a
- 25 proposed resolution creating the authority, and designate the
- 26 boundaries of the development area. Notice of the public hearing
- 27 shall be published twice in a newspaper of general circulation in

- 1 the municipality, not less than 20 or more than 40 days before the
- 2 date of the hearing. Not less than 20 days before the hearing, the
- 3 governing body proposing to create the authority shall also mail
- 4 notice of the hearing to the property taxpayers of record in the
- 5 proposed development area, to the governing body of each taxing
- 6 jurisdiction levying taxes that would be subject to capture if the
- 7 authority is established and a tax increment financing plan is
- 8 approved, and to the state tax commission. Failure of a property
- 9 taxpayer to receive the notice does not invalidate these
- 10 proceedings. Notice of the hearing shall be posted in at least 20
- 11 conspicuous and public places in the proposed development area not
- 12 less than 20 days before the hearing. The notice shall state the
- 13 date, time, and place of the hearing and shall describe the
- 14 boundaries of the proposed development area. A citizen, taxpayer,
- 15 or property owner of the municipality or an official from a taxing
- 16 jurisdiction with millage that would be subject to capture has the
- 17 right to be heard in regard to the establishment of the authority
- 18 and the boundaries of the proposed development area. The governing
- 19 body of the municipality shall not incorporate land into the
- 20 development area not included in the description contained in the
- 21 notice of public hearing, but it may eliminate described lands from
- 22 the development area in the final determination of the boundaries.
- 23 (3) Not less than 60 days after the public hearing, if the
- 24 governing body of the municipality intends to proceed with the
- 25 establishment of the authority it shall adopt, by majority vote of
- 26 its members, a resolution establishing the authority and
- 27 designating the boundaries of the development area within which the

- 1 authority shall exercise its powers. The adoption of the resolution
- 2 is subject to any applicable statutory or charter provisions in
- 3 respect to the approval or disapproval by the chief executive or
- 4 other officer of the municipality and the adoption of a resolution
- 5 over his or her veto. This resolution shall be filed with the
- 6 secretary of state promptly after its adoption and shall be
- 7 published at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in
- 8 the municipality.
- 9 (4) The governing body of the municipality may alter or amend
- 10 the boundaries of the development area to include or exclude lands
- 11 from the development area in the same manner as adopting the
- 12 resolution creating the authority.
- 13 (5) A municipality that has created an authority may enter
- 14 into an agreement with an adjoining municipality that has created
- an authority to jointly operate and administer those authorities
- 16 under an interlocal agreement under the urban cooperation act of
- 17 1967, 1967 (Ex Sess) PA 7, MCL 124.501 to 124.512. The interlocal
- 18 agreement shall include, but is not limited to, a plan to
- 19 coordinate and expedite local inspections and permit approvals, a
- 20 plan to address contradictory zoning requirements, and a date
- 21 certain to implement all provisions of these plans. If a
- 22 municipality enters into an interlocal agreement under this
- 23 subsection, the municipality shall provide a copy of that
- 24 interlocal agreement to the state tax commission within 60 days of
- 25 entering into the interlocal agreement.
- 26 Sec. 8. (1) Except as provided in subsection (7) OR AS
- 27 OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (8), an authority shall be under

- 1 the supervision and control of a board consisting of the chief
- 2 executive officer of the municipality or his or her assignee and
- 3 not less than 5 or more than 9 members as determined by the
- 4 governing body of the municipality. Members shall be appointed by
- 5 the chief executive officer of the municipality, subject to
- 6 approval by the governing body of the municipality. Not less than a
- 7 majority of the members shall be persons having an ownership or
- 8 business interest in property located in the development area. At
- 9 least 1 of the members shall be a resident of the development area
- 10 or of an area within 1/2 mile of any part of the development area.
- 11 Of the members first appointed, an equal number of the members, as
- 12 near as is practicable, shall be appointed for 1 year, 2 years, 3
- 13 years, and 4 years. A member shall hold office until the member's
- 14 successor is appointed. After the initial appointment, each member
- 15 shall serve for a term of 4 years. An appointment to fill a vacancy
- 16 shall be made by the chief executive officer of the municipality
- 17 for the unexpired term only. Members of the board shall serve
- 18 without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for actual and
- 19 necessary expenses. The chairperson of the board shall be elected
- 20 by the board.
- 21 (2) Before assuming the duties of office, a member shall
- 22 qualify by taking and subscribing to the constitutional oath of
- 23 office.
- 24 (3) The proceedings and rules of the board are subject to the
- 25 open meetings act, 1976 PA 267, MCL 15.261 to 15.275. The board
- 26 shall adopt rules governing its procedure and the holding of
- 27 regular meetings, subject to the approval of the governing body.

- 1 Special meetings may be held if called in the manner provided in
- 2 the rules of the board.
- 3 (4) After having been given notice and an opportunity to be
- 4 heard, a member of the board may be removed for cause by the
- 5 governing body.
- 6 (5) All expense items of the authority shall be publicized
- 7 monthly and the financial records shall always be open to the
- 8 public.
- 9 (6) A writing prepared, owned, used, in the possession of, or
- 10 retained by the board in the performance of an official function is
- 11 subject to the freedom of information act, 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.231
- **12** to 15.246.
- 13 (7) If the boundaries of the development area are the same as
- 14 those of a business improvement district established under 1961 PA
- 15 120, MCL 125.981 to 125.990m, the governing body of the
- 16 municipality may provide that the members of the board of the
- 17 authority shall be the members of the board of the business
- 18 improvement district and 1 person shall be a resident of the
- 19 development area or of an area within 1/2 mile of any part of the
- 20 development area.
- 21 (8) IF 2 OR MORE CITIES, VILLAGES, OR TOWNSHIPS CREATE A JOINT
- 22 AUTHORITY UNDER SECTION 4(2), THE BOARD SHALL CONSIST OF UP TO 3
- 23 INDIVIDUALS APPOINTED BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF EACH CITY,
- 24 VILLAGE, OR TOWNSHIP THAT IS A MEMBER OF THE JOINT AUTHORITY. EACH
- 25 OF THOSE INDIVIDUALS SHALL BE APPOINTED FOR INITIAL STAGGERED TERMS
- 26 OF 2 YEARS, 3 YEARS, OR 4 YEARS. A MEMBER SHALL HOLD OFFICE UNTIL
- 27 THE MEMBER'S SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED. AFTER THE INITIAL APPOINTMENT,

- EACH MEMBER SHALL SERVE FOR A TERM OF 4 YEARS. AN APPOINTMENT TO 1
- 2 FILL A VACANCY SHALL BE MADE BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE
- CITY, VILLAGE, OR TOWNSHIP FOR THE UNEXPIRED TERM ONLY. MEMBERS OF 3
- 4 THE BOARD SHALL SERVE WITHOUT COMPENSATION, BUT SHALL BE REIMBURSED
- FOR ACTUAL AND NECESSARY EXPENSES. THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE BOARD 5
- SHALL BE ELECTED BY THE BOARD.