

HOUSE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
SENATE BILL NO. 895

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled  
"Revised judicature act of 1961,"  
by amending section 6023 (MCL 600.6023), as amended by 1998 PA 61.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1       Sec. 6023. (1) The following property of ~~the~~ **A JUDGMENT** debtor  
2   and the **JUDGMENT** debtor's dependents ~~shall be~~ **IS** exempt from levy  
3   and sale under ~~any~~ **AN** execution:

4       (a) All family pictures, all arms and accouterments required  
5   by law to be kept by any person, all wearing apparel of every  
6   person ~~or~~ **AND HIS OR HER** family, and provisions and fuel for  
7   comfortable subsistence of each householder and his or her family  
8   for 6 months.

9       (b) All household goods, furniture, utensils, books, and  
10   appliances, not exceeding in value \$1,000.00.

1 (c) A seat, pew, or slip occupied by the judgment debtor or  
2 the judgment debtor's family in ~~any~~**A** house or place of public  
3 worship, and all cemeteries, tombs, and rights of burial while in  
4 use as repositories of the dead of the judgment debtor's family or  
5 kept for burial of the judgment debtor.

6 (d) To each householder, 10 sheep, 2 cows, 5 swine, 100 hens,  
7 5 roosters, and a sufficient quantity of hay and grain, growing or  
8 otherwise, for properly keeping the animals and poultry for 6  
9 months.

10 (e) The tools, implements, materials, stock, apparatus, team,  
11 vehicle, motor vehicle, horses, harness, or other things to enable  
12 a person to carry on the profession, trade, occupation, or business  
13 in which the person is principally engaged, not exceeding in value  
14 \$1,000.00.

15 (f) Any money or other benefits paid, provided, or allowed to  
16 be paid, provided, or allowed, by any stock or mutual life or  
17 health or casualty insurance company, on account of the disability  
18 due to injury or sickness of ~~any~~**THE** insured person, whether the  
19 debt or liability of such insured person or beneficiary was  
20 incurred before or after the accrual of benefits under the  
21 insurance policy or contract, except that the exemption **UNDER THIS**  
22 **SUBDIVISION** does not apply to actions to recover for necessities  
23 contracted for after the accrual of the benefits.

24 ~~— (g) The shares held by any member, being a householder, of any~~  
25 ~~association incorporated under the provisions of the savings and~~  
26 ~~loan act of 1980, 1980 PA 307, MCL 491.102 to 491.1202, to the~~  
27 ~~amount of \$1,000.00 in such shares, at par value, except that this~~

~~exemption does not apply to any person who has a homestead exempted under the general laws of this state.~~

(G) ~~(h)~~ A homestead of not ~~exceeding~~ **MORE THAN** 40 acres of land and the dwelling house and appurtenances on that homestead ~~and THAT IS~~ not included in ~~any~~ **A** recorded plat, city, or village, or, ~~instead, and~~ at the option of the owner, a quantity of land **THAT CONSISTS OF** not ~~exceeding in amount~~ **MORE THAN** 1 lot ~~, being~~ **THAT IS** within a recorded town plat, city, or village, and the dwelling house and appurtenances on that land, owned and occupied by any resident of this state, not exceeding in value \$3,500.00. This exemption ~~extends to any person owning and occupying~~ **APPLIES TO** any house **THAT IS OWNED, OCCUPIED, AND CLAIMED AS A HOMESTEAD BY A PERSON BUT THAT IS** on land not ~~his or her own and which the person claims as a homestead~~ **OWNED BY THE PERSON**. However, this exemption does not apply to ~~any~~ **A** mortgage on the homestead ~~, THAT~~ **IS** lawfully obtained. ~~, except that the~~ **A** mortgage is not valid **FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SUBDIVISION** without the signature of a married judgment debtor's spouse unless either of the following occurs:

(i) The mortgage is given to secure the payment of the purchase money or a portion of the purchase money.

(ii) The mortgage is recorded in the office of the register of deeds of the county in which the property is located, for a period of 25 years, and no notice of a claim of invalidity is filed in that office during the 25 years following the recording of the mortgage.

(H) ~~(i)~~ An equity of redemption as described in section 6060.

(I) ~~(j)~~ The homestead of a family, after the death of the

owner of the homestead, from the payment of his or her debts in all cases during the minority of his or her children.

(J) ~~(K)~~—An individual retirement account or individual retirement annuity as defined in section 408 or 408a of the internal revenue code of 1986, **26 USC 408 AND 408A**, and the payments or distributions from ~~such an~~ **THE** account or annuity. This exemption applies to the operation of the federal bankruptcy code as permitted by section 522(b)(2) of ~~title 11 of the United States Code, 11 U.S.C.~~ **THE BANKRUPTCY CODE, 11 USC** 522. This exemption does not apply to any amounts contributed to ~~an~~ **THE** individual retirement account or individual retirement annuity if the contribution occurs within 120 days before the debtor files for bankruptcy. This exemption does not apply to an individual retirement account or individual retirement annuity to the extent that any of the following occur:

(i) The individual retirement account or individual retirement annuity is subject to an order of a court pursuant to a judgment of divorce or separate maintenance.

(ii) The individual retirement account or individual retirement annuity is subject to an order of a court concerning child support.

(iii) Contributions to the individual retirement account or premiums on the individual retirement annuity, including the earnings or benefits from those contributions or premiums, exceed, in the tax year made or paid, the deductible amount allowed under section 408 of the internal revenue code of 1986, **26 USC 408**. This limitation on contributions does not apply to a rollover of a pension, profit-sharing, stock bonus, ~~plan~~ or other plan that is

1 qualified under section 401 of the internal revenue code of 1986,  
 2 **26 USC 401**, or an annuity contract under section 403(b) of the  
 3 internal revenue code of 1986, **26 USC 403**.

4 **(K)** ~~(H)~~—The right or interest of a person in a pension, profit-  
 5 sharing, stock bonus, or other plan that is qualified under section  
 6 401 of the internal revenue code of 1986, **26 USC 401**, or an annuity  
 7 contract under section 403(b) of the internal revenue code of 1986,  
 8 **26 USC 403**, ~~which~~ **IF THE** plan or annuity is subject to the employee  
 9 retirement income security act of 1974, Public Law 93-406, 88 Stat.  
 10 829. This exemption applies to the operation of the federal  
 11 bankruptcy code, as permitted by section 522(b)(2) of ~~title 11 of~~  
 12 ~~the United States Code, 11 U.S.C.~~ **THE BANKRUPTCY CODE, 11 USC 522**.  
 13 This exemption does not apply to any amount contributed to a  
 14 pension, profit-sharing, stock bonus, or other qualified plan or a  
 15 403(b) annuity if the contribution occurs within 120 days before  
 16 the debtor files for bankruptcy. This exemption does not apply to  
 17 the right or interest of a person in a pension, profit-sharing,  
 18 stock bonus, or other qualified plan or a 403(b) annuity to the  
 19 extent that the right or interest in the plan or annuity is subject  
 20 to ~~any~~ **EITHER** of the following:

21 (i) An order of a court pursuant to a judgment of divorce or  
 22 separate maintenance.

23 (ii) An order of a court concerning child support.

24 **(I) ANY INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING:**

25 **(i) A TRUST, FUND, OR ADVANCE TUITION PAYMENT CONTRACT**  
 26 **ESTABLISHED UNDER THE MICHIGAN EDUCATION TRUST ACT, 1986 PA 316,**  
 27 **MCL 390.1421 TO 390.1442.**

1           (ii) AN ACCOUNT ESTABLISHED UNDER THE MICHIGAN EDUCATION  
2 SAVINGS PROGRAM ACT, 2000 PA 161, MCL 390.1471 TO 390.1486.

3           (iii) AN ACCOUNT IN A QUALIFIED TUITION PROGRAM OR EDUCATIONAL  
4 SAVINGS TRUST UNDER SECTION 529 OR 530 OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE  
5 OF 1986, 26 USC 529 AND 530.

6           (2) The exemptions provided in this section ~~shall~~ DO not  
7 extend to any lien ~~thereon~~ ON THE EXEMPT PROPERTY THAT IS excluded  
8 from exemption by law.

9           (3) If the owner of a homestead dies, leaving a surviving  
10 spouse but no children, the homestead ~~shall be~~ IS exempt, and the  
11 rents and profits of the homestead shall accrue to the benefit of  
12 the surviving spouse before his or her remarriage, unless the  
13 surviving spouse is the owner of a homestead in his or her own  
14 right.