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HOUSE BILL No. 4860

July 27, 2011, Introduced by Rep. Stamas and referred to the Committee on Tax Policy.

A bill to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled "The general property tax act,"

by amending section 27b (MCL 211.27b), as amended by 1996 PA 476.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 27b. (1) If the buyer, grantee, or other transferee in
- 2 the immediately preceding transfer of ownership of property does
- 3 not notify the appropriate assessing office as required by section
- 4 27a(8) 27A(10), the property's taxable value shall be adjusted
- 5 under section 27a(3) and all of the following shall be levied:
 - (a) Any additional taxes that would have been levied if the transfer of ownership had been recorded as required under this act from the date of transfer.
 - (b) Interest and penalty from the date the tax would have been originally levied.
 - (c) A penalty of \$5.00-1% OF THE SALES PRICE per day for each

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- 1 separate failure beginning after the 45 days have elapsed, up to a
- 2 maximum of \$200.00 25% OF THE SALES PRICE.
- 3 (2) The appropriate assessing officer shall certify for
- 4 collection to the treasurer of the local tax collecting unit if the
- 5 local tax collecting unit has possession of the tax roll or the
- 6 county treasurer if the county has possession of the tax roll any
- 7 additional taxes due under subsection (1)(a) and any penalty due
- 8 under subsection (1)(c).
- 9 (3) The treasurer of the local tax collecting unit if the
- 10 local tax collecting unit has possession of the tax roll or the
- 11 county treasurer if the county has possession of the tax roll shall
- 12 collect any taxes, interest, and penalty due pursuant to this
- 13 section, and shall immediately prepare and submit a corrected tax
- 14 bill for any additional taxes due under subsection (1)(a) and any
- 15 interest and penalty due under subsection (1)(b). A penalty due
- 16 under subsection (1)(c) may be collected with the immediately
- 17 succeeding regular tax bill.
- 18 (4) Any taxes, interest, and penalty collected pursuant to
- 19 subsection (1)(a) and (b) shall be distributed in the same manner
- 20 as other delinquent taxes, interest, and penalties are distributed
- 21 under this act. Any penalty collected under subsection (1)(c) shall
- 22 be distributed to the local tax collecting unit.
- 23 (5) The governing body of a local tax collecting unit may
- 24 waive, by resolution, the penalty levied under subsection (1)(c).
- 25 (6) If the taxable value of property is increased under this
- 26 section, the appropriate assessing officer shall immediately notify
- 27 by first-class mail the owner of that property of that increase in

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- 1 taxable value. A buyer, grantee, or other transferee may appeal any
- 2 increase in taxable value or the levy of any additional taxes,
- 3 interest, and penalties under subsection (1) to the Michigan tax
- 4 tribunal within 35 days of receiving the notice of the increase in
- 5 the property's taxable value. An appeal under this subsection is
- 6 limited to the issues of whether a transfer of ownership has
- 7 occurred and correcting arithmetic errors. A dispute regarding the
- 8 valuation of the property is not a basis for appeal under this
- 9 subsection.
- 10 (7) If the taxable value of property is adjusted under
- 11 subsection (1), the assessing officer making the adjustment shall
- 12 file an affidavit with all officials responsible for determining
- 13 assessment figures, rate of taxation, or mathematical calculations
- 14 for that property within 30 days of the date the adjustment is
- 15 made. The affidavit shall state the amount of the adjustment and
- 16 the amount of additional taxes levied. The officials with whom the
- 17 affidavit is filed shall correct all official records for which
- 18 they are responsible to reflect the adjustment and levy.