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SENATE BILL No. 696

September 27, 2011, Introduced by Senator HUNTER and referred to the Committee on Economic Development.

A bill to amend 2003 PA 260, entitled

"Tax reverted clean title act,"

by amending section 5 (MCL 211.1025) and by adding section 5a; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Sec. 5. (1) There—EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SECTION 5A,

 THERE is levied upon every owner of eliqible tax reverted property
- 3 a specific tax to be known as the eligible tax reverted property
- 4 specific tax.
- 5 (2) The amount of the eligible tax reverted property specific
 - tax in each year is the amount of tax that would have been
 - collected on that parcel under the general property tax act, 1893
 - PA 206, MCL 211.1 to 211.157 **211.155**, if that parcel was not exempt
 - under section 3. An owner of eligible tax reverted property that is

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- 1 a principal residence may claim an exemption for that portion of
- 2 the specific tax attributable to the tax levied by a local school
- 3 district for school operating purposes to the extent provided under
- 4 section 1211 of the revised school code, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.1211,
- 5 if an owner of that eligible tax reverted property claims or has
- 6 claimed an exemption for the property as provided in section 7cc of
- 7 the general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.7cc.
- 8 (3) Except as otherwise provided in section 6, the eligible
- 9 tax reverted property specific tax shall be collected, disbursed,
- 10 and assessed in accordance with this act.
- 11 (4) The eliqible tax reverted property specific tax is an
- 12 annual tax, payable at the same times, in the same installments,
- 13 and to the same officer or officers as taxes imposed under the
- 14 general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.1 to 211.157
- 15 211.155, and the state education tax act, 1993 PA 331, MCL 211.901
- 16 to 211.906, are payable. Except as otherwise provided in this
- 17 section, the officer or officers shall disburse the eligible tax
- 18 reverted property specific tax payments received by the officer or
- 19 officers each year as follows:
- 20 (a) Fifty percent of the eligible tax reverted property
- 21 specific tax to and among this state and cities, townships,
- 22 villages, school districts, counties, or other taxing units, at the
- 23 same times and in the same proportions as required by law for the
- 24 disbursement of taxes collected under the general property tax act,
- 25 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.1 to 211.157 211.155.
- (b) Fifty percent of the eligible tax reverted property
- 27 specific tax to the authority that sold or otherwise conveyed the

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- 1 property under the land bank fast track act, 2003 PA 258, MCL
- 2 124.751 TO 124.774, which sale or conveyance caused the property to
- 3 be eligible tax reverted property. The eligible tax reverted
- 4 property specific tax disbursed under this subdivision shall only
- 5 be used by the authority for 1 or more of the following:
- 6 (i) For the purposes authorized under the land bank fast track
- 7 act, 2003 PA 258, MCL 124.751 TO 124.774, including, but not
- 8 limited to, costs to clear, quiet, or defend title to property held
- 9 by the authority.
- 10 (ii) To repay a loan made to the authority under section 2f of
- 11 1855 PA 105, MCL 21.142f.
- 12 (5) For intermediate school districts receiving state aid
- 13 under sections 56, 62, and 81 of the state school aid act of 1979,
- 14 1979 PA 94, MCL 388.1656, 388.1662, and 388.1681, of the amount of
- 15 eligible tax reverted property specific tax that would otherwise be
- 16 disbursed to an intermediate school district, all or a portion, to
- 17 be determined on the basis of the tax rates being utilized to
- 18 compute the amount of state aid, shall be paid to the state
- 19 treasury to the credit of the state school aid fund established by
- 20 section 11 of article IX of the state constitution of 1963.
- 21 (6) The amount of eligible tax reverted property specific tax
- 22 described in subsection (2) that would otherwise be disbursed to a
- 23 local school district for school operating purposes shall be paid
- 24 instead to the state treasury and credited to the state school aid
- 25 fund established by section 11 of article IX of the state
- 26 constitution of 1963.
- 27 (7) The officer or officers shall send a copy of the amount of

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- 1 disbursement made to each unit under this section to the commission
- 2 on a form provided by the commission.
- 3 (8) Eligible tax reverted property located in a renaissance
- 4 zone under the Michigan renaissance zone act, 1996 PA 376, MCL
- 5 125.2681 to 125.2696, is exempt from the eligible tax reverted
- 6 property specific tax levied under this act to the extent and for
- 7 the duration provided pursuant to the Michigan renaissance zone
- 8 act, 1996 PA 376, MCL 125.2681 to 125.2696, except for that portion
- 9 of the eligible tax reverted property specific tax attributable to
- 10 a tax described in section 7ff(2) of the general property tax act,
- 11 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.7ff. The eligible tax reverted property
- 12 specific tax calculated under this subsection shall be disbursed
- 13 proportionately to the taxing unit or units that levied the tax
- 14 described in section 7ff(2) of the general property tax act, 1893
- **15** PA 206, MCL 211.7ff.
- 16 SEC. 5A. (1) THE AUTHORITY MAY EXEMPT ELIGIBLE TAX REVERTED
- 17 PROPERTY FROM THE ELIGIBLE TAX REVERTED PROPERTY SPECIFIC TAX IF
- 18 THE EXEMPTION WILL ASSIST IN THE CREATION OF JOBS, INVESTMENT, OR
- 19 OTHER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BENEFITS IN THE CITY, VILLAGE, OR
- 20 TOWNSHIP IN WHICH THE ELIGIBLE TAX REVERTED PROPERTY IS LOCATED.
- 21 (2) ELIGIBLE TAX REVERTED PROPERTY EXEMPT FROM THE ELIGIBLE
- 22 TAX REVERTED PROPERTY SPECIFIC TAX UNDER SUBSECTION (1) IS SUBJECT
- 23 TO THE COLLECTION OF TAXES UNDER THE GENERAL PROPERTY TAX ACT, 1893
- 24 PA 206, MCL 211.1 TO 211.155.
- 25 Enacting section 1. Section 6 of the tax reverted clean title
- 26 act, 2003 PA 260, MCL 211.1026, is repealed.