

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY FINANCING ACT (EXCERPT)
Act 267 of 2011

12.278 Ancillary facility; enter into, amend, or terminate; purposes.

Sec. 8.

(1) The authority may enter into, amend, or terminate, as it determines necessary or appropriate, any ancillary facility for any of the following purposes:

(a) To facilitate the issue, sale, resale, purchase, repurchase, or payment of bonds, or the making or performance of swap contracts, including without limitation bond insurance, letters of credit, and liquidity facilities.

(b) To attempt to hedge risk or achieve a desirable effective interest rate or cash flow.

(2) The authority may enter into, amend, or terminate any ancillary facility as it determines necessary or appropriate to place the obligations or investments of the authority, as represented by the bonds or the investment of bond proceeds, in whole or in part, on the interest rate, cash flow, or other basis desired by the authority. The ancillary facility may include without limitation contracts commonly known as interest rate swap agreements and futures or contracts providing for payments based on levels of, or changes in, interest rates. The authority may enter into these contracts or arrangements in connection with, or incidental to, entering into, or maintaining any agreement that secures bonds of the authority or any investment of reserves, or contract providing for investments of reserves, or similar ancillary facility guaranteeing an investment rate for a period of years.

(3) The authority's determination that an ancillary facility, or the amendment or termination of an ancillary facility, is necessary or appropriate is conclusive. The authority may determine the terms and conditions of an ancillary facility, including without limitation provisions as to security, default, termination, payments, remedy, and consent to service of process.

History: 2011, Act 267, Imd. Eff. Dec. 19, 2011

Compiler's Notes: Enacting section 1 of Act 267 of 2011 provides: "Enacting section 1. The legislature finds and declares all of the following: (a) It is an essential governmental function to maintain funds in an amount sufficient to pay unemployment benefits when due. (b) At the time of the enactment of this act, unemployment benefits payments are made from Michigan's account in the unemployment trust fund of the United States treasury and are funded by employer contributions. (c) At the time of the enactment of this act, borrowing from the federal government through loans from the federal unemployment trust fund is the only option available to obtain sufficient funds to pay benefits when the balance in Michigan's account in the unemployment trust fund of the United States treasury is insufficient to make necessary payments. (d) Alternative methods of replenishing this state's account in the unemployment trust fund of the United States treasury may reduce the costs of providing unemployment benefits and employers' cost of doing business in the state. (e) It is in this state's best interests to authorize the issuance of bonds when appropriate for the purpose of continuing the unemployment insurance program at the lowest possible cost to this state and employers in this state and to avoid reductions in the employer unemployment tax credit. (f) Execution by the authority of its powers granted under this act fulfill in all respects an essential governmental function and public purpose for the benefit of and in furtherance of the public health and welfare of the people of this state." Enacting section 2 of Act 267 of 2011 provides: "Enacting section 2. The legislature determines that the creation of the authority by Executive Reorganization Order No. 2010-2, MCL 12.194, and the carrying out of its authorized purposes under this act are in all respects public and governmental purposes for the benefit of the people of this state and for the improvement of their health, safety, welfare, comfort, and security, and that these purposes are public purposes and that the authority will be performing an essential governmental function in the exercise of the powers conferred upon it by this act." For the transfer of powers and duties of the department of licensing and regulatory affairs and the powers and duties of the director of the department of licensing and regulatory affairs to the department of labor and economic opportunity, see E.R.O. No. 2019-3, compiled at MCL 125.1998.