

**EXECUTIVE REORGANIZATION ORDER (EXCERPT)**  
**E.R.O. No. 1973-7**

**125.241 Transfer of responsibility for review and approval of county zoning ordinances.**

WHEREAS, Act 183, P.A. of 1943, Section 11, requires approval by the Michigan Department of Economic Development, now the Office of Economic Expansion of the Department of Commerce, of all County Zoning Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the focus and importance of zoning has broadened since the inception of the County Zoning Act for achieving effective land use objectives extending to all aspects of a community's development; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of the changing role of County Zoning and the importance of centralizing responsibility to strengthen the state's capability in planning and efficient land use development;

THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM G. MILLIKEN, Governor of the State of Michigan, by virtue of the power vested in me by Article V, Section 2, of the Constitution of 1963, do hereby order the following:

1. The state's responsibility for review and approval of County Zoning Ordinances pursuant to Section 11, Act 183, of the Public Acts of 1943, as amended, is hereby transferred from the Office of Economic Expansion, Department of Commerce, to the Department of Natural Resources.

2. All records, files and pending county zoning ordinances are hereby transferred from the Office of Economic Expansion to the Department of Natural Resources.

3. The Director of the Department of Natural Resources shall assign the responsibilities for administering the County Zoning Enabling Act to the proper division within the Department and the Director's signature shall evidence the state function of approval of the individual county zoning ordinance.

4. In fulfillment of the requirements of Article V, Section 2, of the Michigan Constitution of 1963, the provision of this Order shall become effective January 1, 1974.

**History:** 1973, E.R.O. No. 1973-7, Eff. Jan. 1, 1974

**Compiler's Notes:** For transfer of powers and duties of department of natural resources and environment to department of natural resources, see E.R.O. No. 2011-1, compiled at MCL 324.99921.