HOUSE BILL No. 5889

June 20, 1990, Introduced by Reps. Bennane, Leland, Perry Bullard and Jondahl and referred to the Committee on Urban Affairs.

A bill to amend Act No. 348 of the Public Acts of 1972, entitled

"An act to regulate relationships between landlords and tenants relative to rental agreements for rental units; to regulate the payment, repayment, use and investment of security deposits; to provide for commencement and termination inventories of rental units; to provide for termination arrangements relative to rental units; to provide for legal remedies; and to provide penalties,"

as amended, being sections 554.601 to 554.616 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, by adding section 14a.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Section 1. Act No. 348 of the Public Acts of 1972, as
- 2 amended, being sections 554.601 to 554.616 of the Michigan
- 3 Compiled Laws, is amended by adding section 14a to read as
- 4 follows:

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- 1 SEC. 14A. IF A LANDLORD RENTS A RENTAL UNIT TO MORE THAN 1
- 2 TENANT, THE LANDLORD SHALL OFFER THE TENANTS THEIR CHOICE OF THE
- 3 FOLLOWING 2 OPTIONS:
- 4 (A) A JOINT RENTAL AGREEMENT SIGNED BY ALL TENANTS IN WHICH
- 5 EACH TENANT AGREES TO BE LIABLE FOR THE TOTAL RENT FOR THE RENTAL
- 6 UNIT THAT IS DUE UNDER THE RENTAL AGREEMENT.
- 7 (B) SEPARATE RENTAL AGREEMENTS SIGNED BY INDIVIDUAL TENANTS
- 8 IN WHICH EACH TENANT AGREES TO BE LIABLE ONLY FOR THAT PORTION OF
- 9 THE TOTAL RENT FOR THE RENTAL UNIT THAT IS SPECIFIED IN HIS OR
- 10 HER RENTAL AGREEMENT.