HOUSE BILL No. 6154

November 8, 1990, Introduced by Rep. Jaye and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

A bill to amend the title and section 2 of Act No. 87 of the Public Acts of 1980, entitled as amended "The uniform condemnation procedures act," being section 213.52 of the Michigan Compiled Laws; and to add section 2a.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Section 1. The title and section 2 of Act No. 87 of the
- 2 Public Acts of 1980, being section 213.52 of the Michigan
- 3 Compiled Laws, are amended and section 2a is added to read as
- 4 follows:
- 5 TITLE
- 6 An act to provide procedures for the condemnation, acquisi-
- 7 tion, or exercise of eminent domain of real or personal property
- 8 by public agencies or private agencies; TO RESTRICT THE PURPOSES
- 9 FOR WHICH THE POWER OF EMINENT DOMAIN MAY BE EXERCISED UNDER

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- 1 CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; to provide for an agency's entry upon land
- 2 for certain purposes; to provide for damages; to prescribe reme-
- 3 dies; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts.
- 4 Sec. 2. (1) This act provides standards for the acquisi-
- 5 tion of property by an agency, the conduct of condemnation
- 6 actions, and the determination of just compensation. It does not
- 7 confer the power of eminent domain -- and, EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN
- 8 SECTION 2A, does not prescribe or restrict the purposes for which
- 9 or the persons by whom that power may be exercised. All laws and
- 10 court rules applicable to civil actions shall apply to condemna-
- 11 tion proceedings except as otherwise provided in this act.
- 12 (2) If property is to be acquired by an agency through the
- 13 exercise of its power of eminent domain, the agency shall com-
- 14 mence a condemnation action for that purpose. An agency shall
- 15 not intentionally make it necessary for an owner of property to
- 16 commence an action, including an action for constructive taking
- 17 or de facto taking, to prove the fact of the taking of the
- 18 property.
- 19 (3) If a private agency is required by law to secure a cer-
- 20 tificate of public necessity from the public service commission
- 21 or other public agency before it may acquire property, the pri-
- 22 vate agency shall not institute judicial proceedings to acquire
- 23 the property until it has secured the required certificate.
- 24 SEC. 2A. (1) AN AGENCY SHALL NOT ACQUIRE PROPERTY UNDER
- 25 THIS ACT IF BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY:
- 26 (A) THE ACQUISITION OF THE PROPERTY WILL BENEFIT SPECIFIC
- 27 AND IDENTIFIABLE PRIVATE INTERESTS OF A PRIVATE PERSON.

- 1 (B) AFTER ACQUIRING THE PROPERTY, THE AGENCY WILL, DIRECTLY
- 2 OR INDIRECTLY, SELL THE PROPERTY TO OR LEASE THE PROPERTY TO THE
- 3 PRIVATE PERSON DESCRIBED IN SUBDIVISION (A); OR WILL ALLOW THE
- 4 PRIVATE USE OF THE PROPERTY, WHICH USE IS DISTINCT FROM THE USE
- 5 OF OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, BY THE PRIVATE PERSON DESCRIBED
- 6 IN SUBDIVISION (A).
- 7 (2) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "PERSON" INCLUDES AN INDIVIDU-
- 8 AL, PARTNERSHIP, ASSOCIATION, CORPORATION, OR ENTITY.