SENATE BILL No. 506

June 28, 1989, Introduced by Senator CRUCE and referred to the Committee on Finance.

A bill to amend section 7524 of Act No. 368 of the Public Acts of 1978, entitled as amended "Public health code,"

as amended by Act No. 7 of the Public Acts of 1988, being section 333.7524 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Section 1. Section 7524 of Act No. 368 of the Public Acts
- 2 of 1978, as amended by Act No. 7 of the Public Acts of 1988,
- 3 being section 333.7524 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is amended
- 4 to read as follows:
- 5 Sec. 7524. (1) When property is forfeited under this arti-
- 6 cle the local unit of government which THAT seized the
- 7 property, -may do any of the following, or, if the property is-
- 8 WAS seized by THE STATE or IS in the custody of the state, the

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- 1 state, may do any of the following subject to section 2 7523(1)(d):
- 3 (a) Retain -it THE PROPERTY for official use.
- 4 (b) Sell ANY PROPERTY that -which is not required to be
- 5 destroyed by law and which THAT is not harmful to the public.
- 6 The proceeds OF SALE OF THE PROPERTY, and any money, negotiable
- 7 instruments, securities, or -any other -thing- THINGS of value
- 8 -as described in section 7521(1)(f) that are forfeited pursuant
- 9 to this article, shall be applied as follows:
- 10 (i) For the payment of COURT COSTS, AND FOR THE PAYMENT OF
- 11 proper expenses of the -proceedings for- forfeiture PROCEEDINGS
- 12 and sale, including expenses incurred during the seizure, AND
- 13 EXPENSES FOR process, maintenance of custody, AND advertising.
- 14 , and court costs.
- 15 (ii) The balance remaining after the payment of expenses
- 16 shall be distributed by the court having jurisdiction over the
- 17 forfeiture proceedings AS FOLLOWS:
- 18 (A) TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT OF THE PROCEEDS SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED
- 19 BY THE COURT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY FOR DEPOSIT IN THE
- 20 DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION AND EDUCATION FUND AS PROVIDED IN THE DRUG
- 21 ABUSE PREVENTION AND EDUCATION ACT. THE COURT SHALL PROVIDE A
- 22 WRITTEN REPORT OF THE DISTRIBUTION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY
- 23 AS PRESCRIBED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY.
- 24 (B) SEVENTY-FIVE PERCENT OF THE PROCEEDS SHALL BE
- 25 DISTRIBUTED to the entity having budgetary authority over the
- 26 seizing agency. If more than 1 agency was substantially involved
- 27 in effecting the forfeiture, the court having jurisdiction over

- 1 the forfeiture proceeding shall equitably distribute the money
- 2 among the entities having budgetary authority over the seizing
- 3 agencies. The -money-received under this subparagraph shall be
- 4 used SEIZING AGENCIES SHALL USE THE MONEY to enhance law
- 5 enforcement efforts pertaining to this article.
- 6 (c) Require the administrator to take custody of the proper-
- 7 ty, and remove <u>it</u> THE PROPERTY for disposition in accordance
- 8 with law.
- 9 (d) Forward <u>it</u> THE PROPERTY to the bureau for
- 10 disposition.
- 11 (2) In the course of selling real property pursuant to sub-
- 12 section (1)(b), the court that has entered an order of forfeiture
- 13 may, on motion of the agency to whom the property has been for-
- 14 feited, appoint a receiver to dispose of the real property
- 15 forfeited. The receiver shall be entitled to reasonable
- 16 compensation. The receiver shall have authority to do all MAY
- 17 DO 1 OR MORE of the following:
- (a) List the forfeited real property for sale.
- (b) Make whatever arrangements are necessary for the mainte-
- 20 nance and preservation of the forfeited real property.
- 21 (c) Accept offers to purchase the forfeited real property.
- (d) Execute instruments transferring title to the forfeited
- 23 real property.
- 24 Section 2. This act shall not take effect unless Senate
- 25 Bill No. 505 of
- 26 the 85th Legislature is enacted into law.