## **HOUSE BILL NO. 6048**

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A bill to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled "The general property tax act,"

by amending section 27a (MCL 211.27a), as amended by 2016 PA 375.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Sec. 27a. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, property shall be assessed at 50% of its true cash value under section 3 of article IX of the state constitution of 1963.
- 4 (2) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (3), for taxes 5 levied in 1995 and for each year after 1995, the taxable value of





1 each parcel of property is the lesser of the following:

- 2 (a) The property's taxable value in the immediately preceding 3 year minus any losses, multiplied by the lesser of 1.05 or the 4 inflation rate, plus all additions. For taxes levied in 1995, the 5 property's taxable value in the immediately preceding year is the 6 property's state equalized valuation in 1994.
  - (b) The property's current state equalized valuation.
  - (3) Upon a transfer of ownership of property after 1994, the property's taxable value for the calendar year following the year of the transfer is the property's state equalized valuation for the calendar year following the transfer.
- 12 (4) If the taxable value of property is adjusted under subsection (3), a subsequent increase in the property's taxable 13 14 value is subject to the limitation set forth in subsection (2) 15 until a subsequent transfer of ownership occurs. If the taxable 16 value of property is adjusted under subsection (3) and the assessor determines that there had not been a transfer of ownership, the 17 18 taxable value of the property shall be adjusted at the July or December board of review. Notwithstanding the limitation provided 19 20 in section 53b(1) on the number of years for which a correction may be made, the July or December board of review may adjust the 21 taxable value of property under this subsection for the current 22 23 year and for the 3 immediately preceding calendar years. A 24 corrected tax bill shall be issued for each tax year for which the 25 taxable value is adjusted by the local tax collecting unit if the local tax collecting unit has possession of the tax roll or by the 26 27 county treasurer if the county has possession of the tax roll. For purposes of section 53b, an adjustment under this subsection shall 28 29 be considered the correction of a clerical error.



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- (5) Assessment of property, as required in this section and 1 section 27, is inapplicable to the assessment of property subject 2 to the levy of ad valorem taxes within voted tax limitation 3 increases to pay principal and interest on limited tax bonds issued 4 5 by any governmental unit, including a county, township, community 6 college district, or school district, before January 1, 1964, if 7 the assessment required to be made under this act would be less 8 than the assessment as state equalized prevailing on the property 9 at the time of the issuance of the bonds. This inapplicability 10 continues until levy of taxes to pay principal and interest on the 11 bonds is no longer required. The assessment of property required by this act applies for all other purposes. 12
- 13 (6) As used in this act, "transfer of ownership" means the
  14 conveyance of title to or a present interest in property, including
  15 the beneficial use of the property, the value of which is
  16 substantially equal to the value of the fee interest. Transfer of
  17 ownership of property includes, but is not limited to, the
  18 following:
- 19 (a) A conveyance by deed.
  - (b) A conveyance by land contract. The taxable value of property conveyed by a land contract executed after December 31, 1994 shall be adjusted under subsection (3) for the calendar year following the year in which the contract is entered into and shall not be subsequently adjusted under subsection (3) when the deed conveying title to the property is recorded in the office of the register of deeds in the county in which the property is located.
- (c) A conveyance to a trust after December 31, 1994, exceptunder any of the following conditions:
- 29 (i) If the settlor or the settlor's spouse, or both, conveys



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- 1 the property to the trust and the sole present beneficiary or
- 2 beneficiaries are the settlor or the settlor's spouse, or both.
- 3 (ii) Beginning December 31, 2014, for residential real
- 4 property, if the settlor or the settlor's spouse, or both, conveys
- 5 the residential real property to the trust and the sole present
- 6 beneficiary or beneficiaries are the settlor's or the settlor's
- 7 spouse's mother, father, brother, sister, son, daughter, adopted
- 8 son, adopted daughter, grandson, or granddaughter and the
- 9 residential real property is not used for any commercial purpose
- 10 following the conveyance. Upon request by the department of
- 11 treasury or the assessor, the sole present beneficiary or
- 12 beneficiaries shall furnish proof within 30 days that the sole
- 13 present beneficiary or beneficiaries meet the requirements of this
- 14 subparagraph. If a present beneficiary fails to comply with a
- 15 request by the department of treasury or assessor under this
- 16 subparagraph, that present beneficiary is subject to a fine of
- **17** \$200.00.
- 18 (d) A conveyance by distribution from a trust, except under
- 19 any of the following conditions:
- (i) If the distributee is the sole present beneficiary or the
- 21 spouse of the sole present beneficiary, or both.
- 22 (ii) Beginning December 31, 2014, a distribution of residential
- 23 real property if the distributee is the settlor's or the settlor's
- 24 spouse's mother, father, brother, sister, son, daughter, adopted
- 25 son, adopted daughter, grandson, or granddaughter and the
- 26 residential real property is not used for any commercial purpose
- 27 following the conveyance. Upon request by the department of
- 28 treasury or the assessor, the sole present beneficiary or
- 29 beneficiaries shall furnish proof within 30 days that the sole



- 1 present beneficiary or beneficiaries meet the requirements of this
- 2 subparagraph. If a present beneficiary fails to comply with a
- 3 request by the department of treasury or assessor under this
- 4 subparagraph, that present beneficiary is subject to a fine of
- **5** \$200.00.
- 6 (e) A change in the sole present beneficiary or beneficiaries
- 7 of a trust, except under any of the following conditions:
- 8 (i) A change that adds or substitutes the spouse of the sole
- 9 present beneficiary.
- 10 (ii) Beginning December 31, 2014, for residential real
- 11 property, a change that adds or substitutes the settlor's or the
- 12 settlor's spouse's mother, father, brother, sister, son, daughter,
- 13 adopted son, adopted daughter, grandson, or granddaughter and the
- 14 residential real property is not used for any commercial purpose
- 15 following the conveyance. Upon request by the department of
- 16 treasury or the assessor, the sole present beneficiary or
- 17 beneficiaries shall furnish proof within 30 days that the sole
- 18 present beneficiary or beneficiaries meet the requirements of this
- 19 subparagraph. If a present beneficiary fails to comply with a
- 20 request by the department of treasury or assessor under this
- 21 subparagraph, that present beneficiary is subject to a fine of
- **22** \$200.00.
- 23 (f) A conveyance by distribution under a will or by intestate
- 24 succession, except under any of the following conditions:
- 25 (i) If the distributee is the decedent's spouse.
- 26 (ii) Beginning December 31, 2014, for residential real
- 27 property, if the distributee is the decedent's or the decedent's
- 28 spouse's mother, father, brother, sister, son, daughter, adopted
- 29 son, adopted daughter, grandson, or granddaughter and the



- 1 residential real property is not used for any commercial purpose
- 2 following the conveyance. Upon request by the department of
- 3 treasury or the assessor, the sole present beneficiary or
- 4 beneficiaries shall furnish proof within 30 days that the sole
- 5 present beneficiary or beneficiaries meet the requirements of this
- 6 subparagraph. If a present beneficiary fails to comply with a
- 7 request by the department of treasury or assessor under this
- 8 subparagraph, that present beneficiary is subject to a fine of
- **9** \$200.00.
- 10 (g) A conveyance by lease if the total duration of the lease,
- 11 including the initial term and all options for renewal, is more
- 12 than 35 years or the lease grants the lessee a bargain purchase
- 13 option. As used in this subdivision, "bargain purchase option"
- 14 means the right to purchase the property at the termination of the
- 15 lease for not more than 80% of the property's projected true cash
- 16 value at the termination of the lease. After December 31, 1994, the
- 17 taxable value of property conveyed by a lease with a total duration
- 18 of more than 35 years or with a bargain purchase option shall be
- 19 adjusted under subsection (3) for the calendar year following the
- 20 year in which the lease is entered into. This subdivision does not
- 21 apply to personal property except buildings described in section
- 22 14(6) and personal property described in section 8(h), (i), and
- 23 (j). This subdivision does not apply to that portion of the
- 24 property not subject to the leasehold interest conveyed.
- 25 (h) Except as otherwise provided in this subdivision, a
- 26 conveyance of an ownership interest in a corporation, partnership,
- 27 sole proprietorship, limited liability company, limited liability
- 28 partnership, or other legal entity if the ownership interest
- 29 conveyed is more than 50% of the corporation, partnership, sole



- 1 proprietorship, limited liability company, limited liability
- 2 partnership, or other legal entity. Unless notification is provided
- 3 under subsection (10), the corporation, partnership, sole
- 4 proprietorship, limited liability company, limited liability
- 5 partnership, or other legal entity shall notify the assessing
- 6 officer on a form provided by the state tax commission not more
- 7 than 45 days after a conveyance of an ownership interest that
- 8 constitutes a transfer of ownership under this subdivision. Both of
- 9 the following apply to a corporation subject to 1897 PA 230, MCL
- **10** 455.1 to 455.24:
- (i) A transfer of stock of the corporation is a transfer of
- 12 ownership only with respect to the real property that is assessed
- 13 to the transferor lessee stockholder.
- 14 (ii) A cumulative conveyance of more than 50% of the
- 15 corporation's stock does not constitute a transfer of ownership of
- 16 the corporation's real property.
- 17 (i) A transfer of property held as a tenancy in common, except
- 18 that portion of the property not subject to the ownership interest
- 19 conveyed.
- 20 (j) A conveyance of an ownership interest in a cooperative
- 21 housing corporation, except that portion of the property not
- 22 subject to the ownership interest conveyed.
- (k) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 7ee(5), at the
- 24 request of a property owner, an assessor's establishment of a
- 25 separate tax parcel for a portion of a parcel that ceases to be
- 26 qualified agricultural property but is not subject to a land
- 27 division under the land division act, 1967 PA 288, MCL 560.101 to
- 28 560.293, or any local ordinance. For purposes of this subdivision,
- 29 a transfer of ownership occurs only as to that portion of the



- 1 parcel established as a separate tax parcel and only that portion
- 2 shall have its taxable value adjusted under subsection (3) and
- 3 shall be is subject to the recapture tax provided for under the
- 4 agricultural property recapture act, 2000 PA 261, MCL 211.1001 to
- 5 211.1007. The adjustment under subsection (3) shall be made as of
- 6 the December 31 in the year that the portion of the parcel
- 7 established as a separate tax parcel ceases to be qualified
- 8 agricultural property. A portion of a parcel subject to this
- 9 subdivision is considered a separate tax parcel only for those
- 10 purposes described in this subdivision.
- 11 (7) Transfer of ownership does not include the following:
- (a) The transfer of property from 1 spouse to the other spouseor from a decedent to a surviving spouse.
  - (b) A transfer from a husband, a wife, or a married couple 1 or both spouses creating or disjoining a tenancy by the entireties in the grantors or the grantor and his or her spouse.
  - (c) Subject to subdivision (d), a transfer of that portion of property subject to a life estate or life lease retained by the transferor, until expiration or termination of the life estate or life lease. That portion of property transferred that is not subject to a life lease shall be adjusted under subsection (3).
  - (d) Beginning December 31, 2014, a transfer of that portion of residential real property that had been subject to a life estate or life lease retained by the transferor resulting from expiration or termination of that life estate or life lease, if the transferee is the transferor's or transferor's spouse's mother, father, brother, sister, son, daughter, adopted son, adopted daughter, grandson, or granddaughter and the residential real property is not used for any commercial purpose following the transfer. Upon request by the



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- 1 department of treasury or the assessor, the transferee shall
- 2 furnish proof within 30 days that the transferee meets the
- 3 requirements of this subdivision. If a transferee fails to comply
- 4 with a request by the department of treasury or assessor under this
- 5 subdivision, that transferee is subject to a fine of \$200.00.
- **6** (e) A transfer through foreclosure or forfeiture of a recorded
- 7 instrument under chapter 31, 32, or 57 of the revised judicature
- 8 act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3101 to 600.3285 and MCL 600.5701
- 9 to 600.5759, or through deed or conveyance in lieu of a foreclosure
- 10 or forfeiture, until the mortgagee or land contract vendor
- 11 subsequently transfers the property. If a mortgagee does not
- 12 transfer the property within 1 year of the expiration of any
- 13 applicable redemption period, the property shall be adjusted under
- 14 subsection (3).
- 15 (f) A transfer by redemption by the person to whom taxes are
- 16 assessed of property previously sold for delinquent taxes.
- 17 (g) A conveyance to a trust if the settlor or the settlor's
- 18 spouse, or both, conveys the property to the trust and any of the
- 19 following conditions are satisfied:
- 20 (i) If the sole present beneficiary of the trust is the settlor
- 21 or the settlor's spouse, or both.
- 22 (ii) Beginning December 31, 2014, for residential real
- 23 property, if the sole present beneficiary of the trust is the
- 24 settlor's or the settlor's spouse's mother, father, brother,
- 25 sister, son, daughter, adopted son, adopted daughter, grandson, or
- 26 granddaughter and the residential real property is not used for any
- 27 commercial purpose following the conveyance. Upon request by the
- 28 department of treasury or the assessor, the sole present
- 29 beneficiary or beneficiaries shall furnish proof within 30 days



- 1 that the sole present beneficiary or beneficiaries meet the
- 2 requirements of this subparagraph. If a present beneficiary fails
- 3 to comply with a request by the department of treasury or assessor
- 4 under this subparagraph, that present beneficiary is subject to a
- 5 fine of \$200.00.
- 6 (h) A transfer pursuant to a judgment or order of a court of
- 7 record making or ordering a transfer, unless a specific monetary
- 8 consideration is specified or ordered by the court for the
- 9 transfer.
- 10 (i) A transfer creating or terminating a joint tenancy between
- 11 2 or more persons if at least 1 of the persons was an original
- 12 owner of the property before the joint tenancy was initially
- 13 created and, if the property is held as a joint tenancy at the time
- 14 of conveyance, at least 1 of the persons was a joint tenant when
- 15 the joint tenancy was initially created and that person has
- 16 remained a joint tenant since the joint tenancy was initially
- 17 created. A joint owner at the time of the last transfer of
- 18 ownership of the property is an original owner of the property. For
- 19 purposes of this subdivision, a person is an original owner of
- 20 property owned by that person's spouse.
- 21 (j) A transfer for security or an assignment or discharge of a
- 22 security interest.
- 23 (k) A transfer of real property or other ownership interests
- 24 among members of an affiliated group. As used in this subsection,
- 25 "affiliated group" means 1 or more corporations connected by stock
- 26 ownership to a common parent corporation. Upon request by the state
- 27 tax commission, a corporation shall furnish proof within 45 days
- 28 that a transfer meets the requirements of this subdivision. A
- 29 corporation that fails to comply with a request by the state tax



- 1 commission under this subdivision is subject to a fine of \$200.00.
- $oldsymbol{2}$  (\$l\$) Normal public trading of shares of stock or other ownership
- 3 interests that, over any period of time, cumulatively represent
- 4 more than 50% of the total ownership interest in a corporation or
- 5 other legal entity and are traded in multiple transactions
- 6 involving unrelated individuals, institutions, or other legal
- 7 entities.
- 8 (m) A transfer of real property or other ownership interests
- 9 among corporations, partnerships, limited liability companies,
- 10 limited liability partnerships, or other legal entities if the
- 11 entities involved are commonly controlled. Upon request by the
- 12 state tax commission, a corporation, partnership, limited liability
- 13 company, limited liability partnership, or other legal entity shall
- 14 furnish proof within 45 days that a transfer meets the requirements
- 15 of this subdivision. A corporation, partnership, limited liability
- 16 company, limited liability partnership, or other legal entity that
- 17 fails to comply with a request by the state tax commission under
- 18 this subdivision is subject to a fine of \$200.00.
- 19 (n) A direct or indirect transfer of real property or other
- 20 ownership interests resulting from a transaction that qualifies as
- 21 a tax-free reorganization under section 368 of the internal revenue
- 22 code, 26 USC 368. Upon request by the state tax commission, a
- 23 property owner shall furnish proof within 45 days that a transfer
- 24 meets the requirements of this subdivision. A property owner who
- 25 fails to comply with a request by the state tax commission under
- 26 this subdivision is subject to a fine of \$200.00.
- (o) Except as provided in subsection (6)(k), a transfer of
- 28 qualified agricultural property, if the person to whom the
- 29 qualified agricultural property is transferred files an affidavit



- 1 with the assessor of the local tax collecting unit in which the
- 2 qualified agricultural property is located and with the register of
- 3 deeds for the county in which the qualified agricultural property
- 4 is located attesting that the qualified agricultural property will
- 5 remain qualified agricultural property. The affidavit under this
- 6 subdivision shall must be in a form prescribed by the department of
- 7 treasury. An owner of qualified agricultural property shall inform
- 8 a prospective buyer of that qualified agricultural property that
- 9 the qualified agricultural property is subject to the recapture tax
- 10 provided in the agricultural property recapture act, 2000 PA 261,
- 11 MCL 211.1001 to 211.1007, if the qualified agricultural property is
- 12 converted by a change in use, as that term is defined in section 2
- 13 of the agricultural property recapture act, 2000 PA 261, MCL
- 14 211.1002. If property ceases to be qualified agricultural property
- 15 at any time after a transfer subject to this subdivision, all of
- 16 the following shall occur:apply:
- (i) The taxable value of that property, or, if subsection
- 18 (6)(k) applies, a portion of it established as a separate tax
- 19 parcel, shall be adjusted under subsection (3) as of the December
- 20 31 in the year that the property, or, if subsection (6)(k) applies,
- 21 a portion of it established as a separate tax parcel, ceases to be
- 22 qualified agricultural property.
- 23 (ii) The property, or, if subsection (6)(k) applies, a portion
- 24 of it established as a separate tax parcel, is subject to the
- 25 recapture tax provided for under the agricultural property
- 26 recapture act, 2000 PA 261, MCL 211.1001 to 211.1007.
- 27 (p) A transfer of qualified forest property, if the person to
- 28 whom the qualified forest property is transferred files a qualified
- 29 forest taxable value affidavit with the assessor of the local tax



- 1 collecting unit in which the qualified forest property is located
- 2 and with the register of deeds for the county in which the
- 3 qualified forest property is located attesting that the qualified
- 4 forest property will remain qualified forest property. The
- 5 qualified forest taxable value affidavit under this subdivision
- 6 shall must be in a form prescribed by the department of agriculture
- 7 and rural development. The qualified forest taxable value affidavit
- 8 shall must include a legal description of the qualified forest
- 9 property, the name of the new property owner, the year the transfer
- 10 of the property occurred, a statement indicating that the property
- 11 owner is attesting that the property for which the exemption is
- 12 claimed is qualified forest property and will be managed according
- 13 to the approved forest management plan, and any other information
- 14 pertinent to the parcel and the property owner. The property owner
- 15 shall provide a copy of the qualified forest taxable value
- 16 affidavit to the department. The department shall provide 1 copy of
- 17 the qualified forest taxable value affidavit to the local tax
- 18 collecting unit, 1 copy to the conservation district, and 1 copy to
- 19 the department of treasury. These copies may be sent
- 20 electronically. The exception to the recognition of a transfer of
- 21 ownership, as herein stated, extends to the land only of the
- 22 qualified forest property. If qualified forest property is improved
- 23 by buildings, structures, or land improvements, then those
- 24 improvements shall be recognized as a transfer of ownership, in
- 25 accordance with the provisions of section 7jj[1]. An owner of
- 26 qualified forest property shall inform a prospective buyer of that
- 27 qualified forest property that the qualified forest property is
- 28 subject to the recapture tax provided in the qualified forest
- 29 property recapture tax act, 2006 PA 379, MCL 211.1031 to 211.1036,



- 1 if the qualified forest property is converted by a change in use,
- 2 as that term is defined in section 2 of the qualified forest
- 3 property recapture tax act, 2006 PA 379, MCL 211.1032. If property
- 4 ceases to be qualified forest property at any time after being
- 5 transferred, all of the following shall occur:apply:
- 6 (i) The taxable value of that property shall be adjusted under
- 7 subsection (3) as of the December 31 in the year that the property
- 8 ceases to be qualified forest property, except to the extent that
- 9 the transfer of the qualified forest property would not have been
- 10 considered a transfer of ownership under this subsection.
- 11 (ii) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (iii), the
- 12 property is subject to the recapture tax provided for under the
- 13 qualified forest property recapture tax act, 2006 PA 379, MCL
- **14** 211.1031 to 211.1036.
- 15 (iii) Beginning June 1, 2013 and ending November 30, 2013,
- 16 owners of property enrolled as qualified forest property before
- 17 January 1, 2013 may execute a new qualified forest taxable value
- 18 affidavit with the department of agriculture and rural development.
- 19 If a landowner elects to execute a qualified forest taxable value
- 20 affidavit, that owner is not required to pay the \$50.00 fee
- 21 required under section 7jj[1](2). If a landowner elects not to
- 22 execute a qualified forest taxable value affidavit, the existing
- 23 affidavit shall be rescinded, without subjecting the property to
- 24 the recapture tax provided for under the qualified forest property
- 25 recapture tax act, 2006 PA 379, MCL 211.1031 to 211.1036, and the
- 26 taxable value of that property shall be adjusted under subsection
- **27** (3).
- 28 (q) Beginning on December 8, 2006, a transfer of land, but not
- 29 buildings or structures located on the land, which meets 1 or more



- 1 of the following requirements:
- 2 (i) The land is subject to a conservation easement under
- 3 subpart 11 of part 21 of the natural resources and environmental
- 4 protection act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.2140 to 324.2144. As used in
- 5 this subparagraph, "conservation easement" means that term as
- 6 defined in section 2140 of the natural resources and environmental
- 7 protection act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.2140.
- 8 (ii) A transfer of ownership of the land or a transfer of an
- 9 interest in the land is eligible for a deduction as a qualified
- 10 conservation contribution under section 170(h) of the internal
- 11 revenue code, 26 USC 170.
- 12 (r) A transfer of real property or other ownership interests
- 13 resulting from a consolidation or merger of a domestic nonprofit
- 14 corporation that is a boy or girl scout or camp fire girls
- 15 organization, a 4-H club or foundation, a young men's Christian
- 16 association, or a young women's Christian association and at least
- 17 50% of the members of that organization or association are
- 18 residents of this state.
- 19 (s) A change to the assessment roll or tax roll resulting from
- 20 the application of section 16a of 1897 PA 230, MCL 455.16a.
- 21 (t) Beginning December 31, 2013 through December 30, 2014, a
- 22 transfer of residential real property if the transferee is related
- 23 to the transferor by blood or affinity to the first degree and the
- 24 use of the residential real property does not change following the
- 25 transfer.
- 26 (u) Beginning December 31, 2014, a transfer of residential
- 27 real property if the transferee is the transferor's or the
- 28 transferor's spouse's mother, father, brother, sister, son,
- 29 daughter, adopted son, adopted daughter, grandson, or granddaughter



- 1 and the residential real property is not used for any commercial
- 2 purpose following the conveyance. Upon request by the department of
- 3 treasury or the assessor, the transferee shall furnish proof within
- 4 30 days that the transferee meets the requirements of this
- 5 subdivision. If a transferee fails to comply with a request by the
- 6 department of treasury or assessor under this subdivision, that
- 7 transferee is subject to a fine of \$200.00.
- 8 (v) Beginning December 31, 2014, for residential real
- 9 property, a conveyance from a trust if the person to whom the
- 10 residential real property is conveyed is the settlor's or the
- 11 settlor's spouse's mother, father, brother, sister, son, daughter,
- 12 adopted son, adopted daughter, grandson, or granddaughter and the
- 13 residential real property is not used for any commercial purpose
- 14 following the conveyance. Upon request by the department of
- 15 treasury or the assessor, the sole present beneficiary or
- 16 beneficiaries shall furnish proof within 30 days that the sole
- 17 present beneficiary or beneficiaries meet the requirements of this
- 18 subdivision. If a present beneficiary fails to comply with a
- 19 request by the department of treasury or assessor under this
- 20 subdivision, that present beneficiary is subject to a fine of
- **21** \$200.00.
- 22 (w) Beginning on March 31, 2015, a conveyance of land by
- 23 distribution under a will or trust or by intestate succession, but
- 24 not buildings or structures located on the land, which meets 1 or
- 25 more of the following requirements:
- 26 (i) The land is made subject to a conservation easement under
- 27 subpart 11 of part 21 of the natural resources and environmental
- 28 protection act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.2140 to 324.2144, prior to the
- 29 conveyance by distribution under a will or trust or by intestate



- succession. As used in this subparagraph, "conservation easement"
  means that term as defined in section 2140 of the natural resources
  and environmental protection act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.2140.
- 4 (ii) The land or an interest in the land is made eligible for a
  5 deduction as a qualified conservation contribution under section
  6 170(h) of the internal revenue code, 26 USC 170, prior to the
  7 conveyance by distribution under a will or trust or by intestate
  8 succession.
- 9 (x) A conveyance of property under section 2120a(6) of the 10 natural resources and environmental protection act, 1994 PA 451, 11 MCL 324.2120a.
- 12 (8) If all of the following conditions are satisfied, the 13 local tax collecting unit shall revise the taxable value of 14 qualified agricultural property taxable on the tax roll in the 15 possession of that local tax collecting unit to the taxable value that qualified agricultural property would have had if there had 16 17 been no transfer of ownership of that qualified agricultural property since December 31, 1999 and there had been no adjustment 18 19 of that qualified agricultural property's taxable value under 20 subsection (3) since December 31, 1999:
- (a) The qualified agricultural property was qualified
  agricultural property for taxes levied in 1999 and each year after
  1999.
- (9) If the taxable value of qualified agricultural property is
  adjusted under subsection (8), the owner of that qualified
  agricultural property is not entitled to a refund for any property



1 taxes collected under this act on that qualified agricultural
2 property before the adjustment under subsection (8).

- (10) The register of deeds of the county where deeds or other 3 title documents are recorded shall notify the assessing officer of 4 5 the appropriate local taxing unit not less than once each month of 6 any recorded transaction involving the ownership of property and 7 shall make any recorded deeds or other title documents available to 8 that county's tax or equalization department. Unless notification 9 is provided under subsection (6), the buyer, grantee, or other 10 transferee of the property shall notify the appropriate assessing 11 office in the local unit of government in which the property is located of the transfer of ownership of the property within 45 days 12 of the transfer of ownership, on a form prescribed by the state tax 13 14 commission that states the parties to the transfer, the date of the 15 transfer, the actual consideration for the transfer, and the property's parcel identification number or legal description. Forms 16 filed in the assessing office of a local unit of government under 17 this subsection shall be made available to the county tax or 18 equalization department for the county in which that local unit of 19 20 government is located. This subsection does not apply to personal property except buildings described in section 14(6) and personal 21 property described in section 8(h), (i), and (j). 22
  - (11) As used in this section:
    - (a) "Additions" means that term as defined in section 34d.
- (b) "Beneficial use" means the right to possession, use, and
  enjoyment of property, limited only by encumbrances, easements, and
  restrictions of record.
- (c) "Commercial purpose" means used in connection with anybusiness or other undertaking intended for profit, but does not



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- 1 include the rental of residential real property for a period of
- 2 less than 15 days in a calendar year.
- 3 (d) "Inflation rate" means that term as defined in section
- **4** 34d.
- **5** (e) "Losses" means that term as defined in section 34d.
- 6 (f) "Qualified agricultural property" means that term as7 defined in section 7dd.
- 8 (g) "Qualified forest property" means that term as defined in9 section 7jj[1].
- (h) "Residential real property" means real property classifiedas residential real property under section 34c.
- 12 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
- 13 unless Senate Joint Resolution or House Joint Resolution T
- 14 (request no. 02690'19) of the 100th Legislature becomes a part of
- 15 the state constitution of 1963 as provided in section 1 of article
- 16 XII of the state constitution of 1963.