SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 6553

A bill to amend 1846 RS 2, entitled "Of the legislature,"

(MCL 4.82 to 4.85) by adding section 3a.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 SEC. 3A. (1) THE LEGISLATURE AND EACH HOUSE OF THE LEGISLATURE
- 2 IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED AND EMPOWERED TO INTERVENE IN ANY ACTION
- 3 COMMENCED IN ANY COURT OF THIS STATE WHENEVER THE LEGISLATURE OR A
- 4 HOUSE OF THE LEGISLATURE DEEMS SUCH INTERVENTION NECESSARY IN ORDER
- 5 TO PROTECT ANY RIGHT OR INTEREST OF THAT BODY BECAUSE A PARTY TO
- 6 THAT ACTION CHALLENGES THE CONSTITUTIONALITY OF A STATE STATUTE, OR
- 7 THE VALIDITY OF LEGISLATION OR ANY ACTION OF THE LEGISLATURE. SUCH
- 8 RIGHT OF INTERVENTION SHALL EXIST AT ANY STAGE OF THE PROCEEDING,
- 9 AND THE LEGISLATURE AND EACH HOUSE OF THE LEGISLATURE SHALL HAVE
- 10 THE SAME RIGHT TO PROSECUTE AN APPEAL, OR TO APPLY FOR A RE-HEARING

- OR TO TAKE ANY OTHER ACTION OR STEP WHATSOEVER THAT IS HAD OR 1
- 2 POSSESSED BY ANY OF THE PARTIES TO SUCH LITIGATION.
- (2) THE RIGHT OF INTERVENTION GRANTED UNDER THIS SECTION 3
- APPLIES TO ALL MATTERS PENDING IN ANY COURT OF THIS STATE AS OF THE
- EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE AMENDATORY ACT THAT ADDED THIS SECTION OR 5
- LATER FILED IN ANY COURT IN THIS STATE.
- (3) THIS SECTION IS SELF-EXECUTING BUT EACH HOUSE OF THE 7
- LEGISLATURE MAY ADOPT RULES OR POLICIES TO FACILITATE OPERATION OF 8
- THIS SECTION. 9
- 10 (4) THIS SECTION DOES NOT LIMIT ANY RIGHT OR DUTY OF THE
- 11 ATTORNEY GENERAL PROVIDED BY LAW.
- 12 (5) INTERVENTION UNDER THIS SECTION IS NOT A WAIVER OF
- 13 LEGISLATIVE IMMUNITY.