## SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 6043

A bill to amend 2005 PA 210, entitled "Commercial rehabilitation act," by amending section 2 (MCL 207.842).

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 2. As used in this act:
- 2 (a) "Commercial property" means land improvements classified
- 3 by law for general ad valorem tax purposes as real property
- 4 including real property assessable as personal property pursuant to
- 5 sections 8(d) and 14(6) of the general property tax act, 1893 PA
- 6 206, MCL 211.8 and 211.14, the primary purpose and use of which is
- 7 the operation of a commercial business enterprise OR MULTIFAMILY
- 8 RESIDENTIAL USE. Commercial property shall also include facilities
- 9 related to a commercial business enterprise under the same

- 1 ownership at that location, including, but not limited to, office,
- 2 engineering, research and development, warehousing, parts
- 3 distribution, retail sales, and other commercial activities.
- 4 Commercial property also includes a building or group of contiguous
- 5 buildings previously used for industrial purposes that will be
- 6 converted to the operation of a commercial business enterprise.
- 7 Commercial property does not include any of the following:
- (i) Land.
- 9 (ii) Property of a public utility.
- 10 (b) "Commercial rehabilitation district" or "district" means
- 11 an area not less than  $\frac{-75}{}$  3 acres in size of a qualified local
- 12 governmental unit established as provided in section 3. HOWEVER, IF
- 13 THE COMMERCIAL REHABILITATION DISTRICT IS LOCATED IN A DOWNTOWN OR
- 14 BUSINESS AREA AS DETERMINED BY THE LEGISLATIVE BODY OF THE
- 15 QUALIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNIT, THE DISTRICT MAY BE LESS THAN 3
- 16 ACRES IN SIZE.
- 17 (c) "Commercial rehabilitation exemption certificate" or
- 18 "certificate" means the certificate issued under section 6.
- 19 (d) "Commercial rehabilitation tax" means the specific tax
- 20 levied under this act.
- 21 (e) "Commission" means the state tax commission created by
- 22 1927 PA 360, MCL 209.101 to 209.107.
- (f) "Department" means the department of treasury.
- 24 (G) "MULTIFAMILY RESIDENTIAL USE" MEANS MULTIFAMILY HOUSING
- 25 CONSISTING OF 5 OR MORE UNITS.
- 26 (H) -(g) "Qualified facility" means a building or group of
- 27 contiguous buildings of commercial property -consisting of

- House Bill No. 6043 (H-2) as amended June 29, 2006
- 1 1,000,000 or more square feet of space that is 40% or more vacant
- 2 for 12 or more consecutive months immediately preceding the date of
- 3 application for the certificate and that is 15 years old or older
- 4 OR [HAS BEEN ALLOCATED] FOR A NEW MARKETS TAX CREDIT UNDER SECTION 45D OF
- 5 THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, 26 USC 45D. A qualified facility does
- 6 not include property that is to be used as a professional sports
- 7 stadium. A qualified facility does not include property that is to
- 8 be used as a casino. As used in this subdivision, "casino" means a
- 9 casino or a parking lot, hotel, motel, or retail store owned or
- 10 operated by a casino, an affiliate, or an affiliated company,
- 11 regulated by this state pursuant to the Michigan gaming control and
- 12 revenue act, the Initiated Law of 1996, MCL 432.201 to 432.226.
- 13 (I) (h) "Qualified local governmental unit" means a city,
- 14 village, or township.
- 15 (J) (i) "Rehabilitation" means changes to a qualified
- 16 facility that are required to restore or modify the property,
- 17 together with all appurtenances, to an economically efficient
- 18 condition. Rehabilitation includes major renovation and
- 19 modification including, but not necessarily limited to, the
- 20 improvement of floor loads, correction of deficient or excessive
- 21 height, new or improved fixed building equipment, including
- 22 heating, ventilation, and lighting, reducing multistory facilities
- 23 to 1 or 2 stories, improved structural support including
- 24 foundations, improved roof structure and cover, floor replacement,
- 25 improved wall placement, improved exterior and interior appearance
- 26 of buildings, and other physical changes required to restore or
- 27 change the obsolete property to an economically efficient

- 1 condition. Rehabilitation shall not include improvements
- 2 aggregating less than 10% of the true cash value of the property at
- 3 commencement of the rehabilitation of the qualified facility.
- 4 (K) -(j) "Taxable value" means the value determined under
- 5 section 27a of the general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL
- 6 211.27a.