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HOUSE BILL No. 5004

July 10, 2007, Introduced by Reps. Rick Jones, Polidori, Leland, LeBlanc, Stahl, Green, Horn, Hune and Gonzales and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental, Urban and Regional Affairs.

A bill to require municipalities to provide notice to property owners within a specified time of abating a nuisance; to permit municipalities to have a lien for expenses incurred in abating nuisances; to provide for reimbursement of expenses incurred by municipalities; and to provide for certain procedures.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 1. As used in this act:
- 2 (a) "Municipality" means a city, township, or village.
- (b) "Owner" means any person or persons, natural or corporate,
 owning a legal or equitable title to property in a municipality
 where a nuisance is abated.
 - Sec. 3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, if a municipality abates a nuisance as provided in the

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- 1 charter or ordinances of the municipality, the municipality shall,
- 2 within 30 days of abating the nuisance, notify by first-class mail
- 3 the owner of the expense incurred by the municipality to abate the
- 4 nuisance.
- **5** Sec. 5. The expense incurred by a municipality to abate a
- 6 nuisance shall be a lien on the property. Any amount delinquent for
- 7 30 days or more after the date notice is sent to the owner under
- 8 section 3 shall be certified to the proper tax assessing officer or
- 9 agency of the municipality to be entered on the tax roll against
- 10 the property. The expense incurred by a municipality to abate a
- 11 nuisance shall be collected and the lien enforced in the same
- 12 manner as provided for the collection of taxes assessed upon the
- 13 tax roll and the enforcement of a lien for unpaid taxes.

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