HOUSE BILL No. 5956

April 8, 2008, Introduced by Rep. LeBlanc and referred to the Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs and Homeland Security.

A bill to amend 1966 PA 346, entitled "State housing development authority act of 1966," (MCL 125.1401 to 125.1499c) by adding section 44h.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 SEC. 44H. (1) THE ARMED FORCES MEMBER HOME OWNERSHIP
- 2 ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IS CREATED IN THE AUTHORITY. THE PROGRAM SHALL
- 3 PROVIDE LOANS, GRANTS, OR OTHER ASSISTANCE TO PERSONS WHO ARE OR
- 4 WERE AN ELIGIBLE MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES.
- 5 IF AN ELIGIBLE MEMBER IS DECEASED, THE SURVIVING SPOUSE OF THE
- 6 ELIGIBLE MEMBER SHALL BE ELIGIBLE FOR ASSISTANCE UNDER THE PROGRAM
- 7 IF THE SURVIVING SPOUSE MEETS OTHER ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS.
- 8 (2) THE AUTHORITY SHALL LOAN UP TO \$5,000.00 TO AN ELIGIBLE
 - MEMBER OR THE QUALIFIED SURVIVING SPOUSE OF AN ELIGIBLE MEMBER TO

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- 1 BE USED TOWARD THE PURCHASE OF A HOME IN THIS STATE.
- 2 (3) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "ELIGIBLE MEMBER OF THE ARMED
- 3 FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES" MEANS A RESIDENT OF THIS STATE WHO IS
- 4 OR WAS A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL GUARD, RESERVE, OR REGULAR
- 5 COMPONENT OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES AND WHO HAS
- 6 SERVED AT LEAST 90 DAYS OF ACTIVE DUTY DURING THE PERIOD THAT
- 7 BEGINS ON SEPTEMBER 11, 2001 AND THAT ENDS ON JUNE 30, 2008.