HOUSE BILL No. 6227

June 5, 2008, Introduced by Rep. Clemente and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

A bill to amend 1998 PA 284, entitled "Clean Michigan initiative act,"

by amending sections 4 and 7 (MCL 324.95104 and 324.95107), and by adding sections 1a, 2a, 4a, 5a, 6a, and 7a.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 SEC. 1A. AS USED IN THIS ACT:
- 2 (A) "BONDS" MEANS THE CLEAN MICHIGAN INITIATIVE BONDS OR THE
- 3 CLEAN MICHIGAN II BONDS, AS APPROPRIATE.
- 4 (B) "CLEAN MICHIGAN II BONDS" MEANS THE BONDS AUTHORIZED UNDER
- 5 SECTION 2A.
- 6 (C) "CLEAN MICHIGAN INITIATIVE BONDS" MEANS THE BONDS
- 7 AUTHORIZED UNDER SECTION 2.
- 8 SEC. 2A. THE STATE SHALL BORROW A SUM NOT TO EXCEED
- 9 \$1,300,000,000.00 AND ISSUE THE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THIS
- 10 STATE, PLEDGING THE FULL FAITH AND CREDIT OF THE STATE FOR THE

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- 1 PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS, TO FINANCE
- 2 ENVIRONMENTAL AND NATURAL RESOURCES PROTECTION PROGRAMS TO PROTECT,
- 3 CONSERVE, CLEAN, IMPROVE, AND RESTORE THE WATER RESOURCES OF THE
- 4 STATE, CLEAN UP AND REDEVELOP CONTAMINATED SITES, AND PRESERVE
- 5 FARMLAND.
- 6 Sec. 4. The proceeds of the sale of any series of the CLEAN
- 7 MICHIGAN INITIATIVE bonds, any premium and accrued interest
- 8 received on the delivery of the bonds, and any interest earned on
- 9 the proceeds of the bonds shall be deposited in the state treasury
- 10 and credited to the clean Michigan initiative bond fund created in
- 11 section 19606 of the natural resources and environmental protection
- 12 act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.19606, and shall be disbursed from that
- 13 fund only for the purposes for which the bonds have been
- 14 authorized, including the expense of issuing the bonds. The
- 15 proceeds of sale of any series of the CLEAN MICHIGAN INITIATIVE
- 16 bonds, any premium and accrued interest received on the delivery of
- 17 the bonds, and any interest earned on the proceeds of the bonds
- 18 shall be expended for the purposes set forth in this act in a
- 19 manner as provided by law.
- 20 SEC. 4A. THE PROCEEDS OF THE SALE OF ANY SERIES OF CLEAN
- 21 MICHIGAN II BONDS, ANY PREMIUM AND ACCRUED INTEREST RECEIVED ON THE
- 22 DELIVERY OF THE BONDS, AND ANY INTEREST EARNED ON THE PROCEEDS OF
- 23 THE BONDS SHALL BE DEPOSITED IN THE STATE TREASURY AND CREDITED TO
- 24 THE CLEAN MICHIGAN INITIATIVE BOND FUND CREATED IN SECTION 19606 OF
- 25 THE NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT, 1994 PA
- 26 451, MCL 324.19606, AND SHALL BE DISBURSED FROM THAT FUND ONLY FOR
- 27 THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH THE BONDS HAVE BEEN AUTHORIZED, INCLUDING

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- 1 THE EXPENSE OF ISSUING THE BONDS. THE PROCEEDS OF THE SALE OF ANY
- 2 SERIES OF CLEAN MICHIGAN II BONDS, ANY PREMIUM AND ACCRUED INTEREST
- 3 RECEIVED ON THE DELIVERY OF THE BONDS, AND ANY INTEREST EARNED ON
- 4 THE PROCEEDS OF THE BONDS SHALL BE EXPENDED FOR THE PURPOSES SET
- 5 FORTH IN THIS ACT IN A MANNER AS PROVIDED BY LAW.
- 6 SEC. 5A. THE QUESTION OF BORROWING A SUM NOT TO EXCEED
- 7 \$1,300,000,000.00 AND THE ISSUANCE OF THE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS
- 8 OF THE STATE FOR THE PURPOSES SET FORTH IN THIS ACT SHALL BE
- 9 SUBMITTED TO A VOTE OF THE ELECTORS OF THE STATE QUALIFIED TO VOTE
- 10 ON THE QUESTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15 OR ARTICLE IX OF THE
- 11 STATE CONSTITUTION OF 1963 AT THE NEXT GENERAL ELECTION SCHEDULED
- 12 FOR NOVEMBER 4, 2008. THE QUESTION SUBMITTED TO THE ELECTORS SHALL
- 13 BE SUBSTANTIALLY AS FOLLOWS:
- 14 "SHALL THE STATE OF MICHIGAN FINANCE ENVIRONMENTAL AND NATURAL
- 15 RESOURCES PROTECTION PROGRAMS TO PROTECT, CONSERVE, CLEAN, IMPROVE,
- 16 AND RESTORE THE WATER RESOURCES OF THE STATE, CLEAN-UP AND
- 17 REDEVELOP CONTAMINATED SITES, AND PRESERVE FARMLAND, BY BORROWING A
- 18 SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$1,300,000,000.00 AND ISSUING GENERAL OBLIGATION
- 19 BONDS OF THE STATE, PLEDGING THE FULL FAITH AND CREDIT OF THE STATE
- 20 FOR THE PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS, THE METHOD
- 21 OR REPAYMENT OF THE BONDS TO BE FROM THE GENERAL FUND OF THE STATE?
- 22 YES.....
- 23 NO....".
- 24 SEC. 6A. THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL PERFORM ALL ACTS
- 25 NECESSARY TO PROPERLY SUBMIT THE QUESTION PRESCRIBED BY SECTION 5A
- 26 TO THE ELECTORS OF THIS STATE QUALIFIED TO VOTE ON THE QUESTION AT
- 27 THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 4, 2008.

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- 1 Sec. 7. Bonds CLEAN MICHIGAN INITIATIVE BONDS shall not be
- 2 issued under this act unless the question set forth in section 5 is
- 3 approved by a majority vote of the registered electors voting on
- 4 the question.
- 5 SEC. 7A. CLEAN MICHIGAN II BONDS SHALL NOT BE ISSUED UNDER
- 6 THIS ACT UNLESS THE QUESTION SET FORTH IN SECTION 5A IS APPROVED BY
- 7 A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE REGISTERED ELECTORS VOTING ON THE QUESTION.