

HOUSE BILL No. 5116

June 17, 2009, Introduced by Rep. Durhal and referred to the Committee on Regulatory Reform.

A bill to amend 2008 PA 554, entitled
"Regional convention facility authority act,"
by amending section 5 (MCL 141.1355).

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 5. As used in this act:

2 (a) "Authority" means a regional convention facility authority
3 created under section 7.

4 (b) "Board" means the board of directors of an authority.

5 (c) "Convention facility" means all or any part of, or any
6 combination of, a convention hall, auditorium, arena, meeting
7 rooms, exhibition area, and related adjacent public areas that are
8 generally available to the public for lease on a short-term basis
9 for holding conventions, meetings, exhibits, and similar events,

1 together with real or personal property, and easements above, on,
2 or under the surface of real or personal property, used or intended
3 to be used for holding conventions, meetings, exhibits, and similar
4 events, together with appurtenant property, including covered
5 walkways, parking lots, or structures, necessary and convenient for
6 use in connection with the convention facility. Convention facility
7 includes an adjacent arena with a seating capacity not exceeding
8 10,000. Convention facility does not include an adjacent arena with
9 a seating capacity exceeding 10,000.

10 (d) "Develop" means to plan, acquire, construct, improve,
11 enlarge, maintain, renew, renovate, repair, replace, lease, equip,
12 furnish, market, promote, manage, or operate.

13 (e) "Fiscal year" means an annual period that begins on July 1
14 and ends on June 30 or the fiscal year for an authority established
15 by the board of the authority.

16 (f) "Legislative body" means the elected body of a local
17 government possessing the legislative power of the local
18 government.

19 (g) "Local chief executive officer" means the mayor or city
20 manager of a city or the county executive of a county or, if a
21 county does not have a county executive, the chairperson of the
22 county board of commissioners.

23 (h) "Local government" means a county or city. For purposes of
24 sections 17(1)(t) and 19 other than section 19(1)(f), local
25 government includes a building authority or downtown development
26 authority created by a county or city under 1975 PA 197, MCL
27 125.1651 to 125.1681.

1 (i) "Qualified city" means a city with a population of more
2 than 700,000 according to the most recent decennial census. ~~that~~
3 ~~contains a qualified convention facility.~~

4 (j) "Qualified county" means a county that contains a
5 qualified city.

6 (k) "Qualified convention facility" means a publicly owned
7 convention facility with not less than 600,000 square feet of
8 usable exhibition area and that is located in a qualified city.

9 (l) "Qualified metropolitan area" means a geographic area of
10 this state that includes a qualified city, a qualified county, and
11 the 2 counties bordering the qualified county with the largest
12 populations according to the most recent decennial census.

13 (m) "Transfer date" means the date 90 days after the creation
14 of an authority under section 7 on which the right, title,
15 interest, ownership, and control of a qualified convention facility
16 are conveyed and transferred from a qualified city to an authority
17 if the transfer is not disapproved as provided under section 19(1).