

# HOUSE BILL NO. 6127

August 17, 2020, Introduced by Rep. Markkanen and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

A bill to amend 1951 PA 51, entitled

"An act to provide for the classification of all public roads, streets, and highways in this state, and for the revision of that classification and for additions to and deletions from each classification; to set up and establish the Michigan transportation fund; to provide for the deposits in the Michigan transportation fund of specific taxes on motor vehicles and motor vehicle fuels; to provide for the allocation of funds from the Michigan transportation fund and the use and administration of the fund for transportation purposes; to promote safe and efficient travel for motor vehicle drivers, bicyclists, pedestrians, and other legal users of roads, streets, and highways; to set up and establish the truck safety fund; to provide for the allocation of funds from the truck safety fund and administration of the fund for truck safety



purposes; to set up and establish the Michigan truck safety commission; to establish certain standards for road contracts for certain businesses; to provide for the continuing review of transportation needs within the state; to authorize the state transportation commission, counties, cities, and villages to borrow money, issue bonds, and make pledges of funds for transportation purposes; to authorize counties to advance funds for the payment of deficiencies necessary for the payment of bonds issued under this act; to provide for the limitations, payment, retirement, and security of the bonds and pledges; to provide for appropriations and tax levies by counties and townships for county roads; to authorize contributions by townships for county roads; to provide for the establishment and administration of the state trunk line fund, local bridge fund, comprehensive transportation fund, and certain other funds; to provide for the deposits in the state trunk line fund, critical bridge fund, comprehensive transportation fund, and certain other funds of money raised by specific taxes and fees; to provide for definitions of public transportation functions and criteria; to define the purposes for which Michigan transportation funds may be allocated; to provide for Michigan transportation fund grants; to provide for review and approval of transportation programs; to provide for submission of annual legislative requests and reports; to provide for the establishment and functions of certain advisory entities; to provide for conditions for grants; to provide for the issuance of bonds and notes for transportation purposes; to provide for the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies and officials; to provide for the making of loans for transportation purposes by the state transportation department and for the receipt and repayment by local units and agencies of those loans from certain specified sources; and to repeal acts and parts of acts,"

by amending section 18m (MCL 247.668m), as added by 2018 PA 507.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1       Sec. 18m. (1) A local road agency or a public transportation  
2 system may borrow money from a state infrastructure bank program  
3 administered by the department in accordance with regulations of  
4 the state infrastructure bank program of the United States  
5 Department of Transportation.

6       **(2) The department may forgive a state infrastructure bank**



1 loan under the state infrastructure bank program for a county that  
2 is determined to be in financial distress by the state treasurer.  
3 Financial distress includes, but is not limited to, a conclusion  
4 that a financial emergency exists under the local financial  
5 stability and choice act, 2012 PA 436, MCL 141.1541 to 141.1575.

6 (3) ~~(2)~~—As used in this section:

7 (a) "Local road agency" means that term as defined in section  
8 9a.

9 (b) "Public transportation system" means that term as defined  
10 in section 2 of the regional transit authority act, 2012 PA 387,  
11 MCL 124.542.