SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 4885

A bill to amend 1929 PA 48, entitled

"An act levying a specific tax to be known as the severance tax upon all producers engaged in the business of severing oil and gas from the soil; prescribing the method of collecting the tax; requiring all producers of such products or purchasers thereof to make reports; to provide penalties; to provide exemptions and refunds; to prescribe the disposition of the funds so collected; and to exempt those paying such specific tax from certain other taxes,"

by amending section 3 (MCL 205.303), as amended by 1996 PA 135, and by adding section 11a.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 3. (1) Except as provided in subsections (2), and (3),
- 2 AND (4), the severance tax required to be paid by each producer at
- 3 the time of rendering each monthly report, or by a pipeline
- 4 company, common carrier, or common purchaser, for and on behalf of
- 5 a producer, shall be in the amount of 5% of the gross cash market

- 1 value of the total production of gas or 6.6% of the gross cash
- 2 market value of the total production of oil during the preceding
- 3 monthly period, exclusive of the production or proceeds from the
- 4 production attributable to the THIS state, the government of the
- 5 United States, or a political subdivision of the THIS state or
- 6 government of the United States. The value of all production shall
- 7 be computed as of the time when and at the place where the
- 8 production was severed or taken from the soil immediately after the
- 9 severance. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the
- 10 payment of the severance tax shall be required of each producer. If
- 11 the production is sold or delivered to a pipeline company and is
- 12 transported by the pipeline company through lines connected with
- 13 the oil or gas well of the owner, or of a common purchaser, the
- 14 pipeline company, or common purchaser shall receive and accept all
- 15 the oil and gas, subject to a lien, as prescribed in section 8, and
- 16 the pipeline company shall withhold out of the proceeds or price to
- 17 be paid for the products severed, the proportionate parts of the
- 18 tax due by the respective owners of the oil and gas at the time of
- 19 severance and, at the time required for the filing of the monthly
- 20 reports required in section 2, shall pay to the department of
- 21 revenue TREASURY all the tax money collected or withheld. Each
- 22 pipeline company, common carrier, or common purchaser shall deduct
- 23 from the purchase price paid to a producer from whom it may receive
- 24 the oil or gas the amount of the severance tax levied in this
- 25 section before making the payment. If under the terms of a contract
- 26 the pipeline company, common carrier, or common purchaser is
- 27 required to reimburse a producer of oil or gas for the amount of

- 1 the severance tax or a part of the severance tax, the tax
- 2 reimbursement shall not be considered a part of the gross cash
- 3 market value of the total production of the oil or gas.
- 4 (2) The severance tax required to be paid by each producer at
- 5 the time of rendering each monthly report, or by a pipeline
- 6 company, common carrier, or common purchaser, for and on behalf of
- 7 a producer, on stripper well crude oil, as defined in FORMER
- 8 section 8 of the emergency petroleum allocation act of 1973, 15
- 9 U.S.C. USC 757 and on crude oil from marginal properties as defined
- 10 in FORMER part 212, subpart D, of chapter II of title 10 of the
- 11 code of federal regulations 10 CFR 212.72 to 212.77, shall be in
- 12 the amount of 4% of the gross cash market value of the total
- 13 production of the oil, during the preceding monthly period,
- 14 exclusive of the production or proceeds from the production
- 15 attributable to the THIS state, the government of the United
- 16 States, or a political subdivision of the THIS state or government
- 17 of the United States. The value of all production shall be computed
- 18 as of the time when and at the place where the production was
- 19 severed or taken from the soil immediately after the severance.
- 20 (3) A producer is not required to pay a severance tax on
- 21 income received from the hydrocarbons produced from devonian or
- 22 antrim shale qualifying for the nonconventional fuel credit
- 23 contained in section 29-45K of the internal revenue code, of 1986,
- 24 26 U.S.C. 29 USC 45K and acquired pursuant to a royalty interest
- 25 sold by the THIS state under section 503 OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES
- 26 AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.503.
- 27 (4) FOR CARBON DIOXIDE SECONDARY OR ENHANCED RECOVERY PROJECTS

House Bill No. 4885 as amended March 19, 2014

- 1 APPROVED AFTER MARCH 30, 2014, THE SEVERANCE TAX REQUIRED TO BE
- 2 PAID BY EACH PRODUCER AT THE TIME OF RENDERING EACH MONTHLY REPORT,
- 3 ON OIL OR GAS PRODUCED FROM A CARBON DIOXIDE SECONDARY OR ENHANCED
- 4 RECOVERY PROJECT, SHALL BE 4.0% OF THE GROSS CASH MARKET VALUE FOR
- 5 OIL AND 4.0% OF THE GROSS CASH MARKET VALUE FOR GAS. <<THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A PRODUCER CONVICTED OF AN ANTITRUST VIOLATION OR CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT AN ANTITRUST VIOLATION THAT IS A CRIME UNDER THE LAWS OF THIS STATE.>>
- 6 SEC. 11A. AS USED IN THIS ACT, "CARBON DIOXIDE SECONDARY OR
- 7 ENHANCED RECOVERY PROJECT" MEANS OPERATIONS DESIGNED TO INCREASE
- 8 THE AMOUNT OF OIL OR GAS RECOVERABLE FROM A RESERVOIR BY INJECTION
- 9 OF CARBON DIOXIDE, EITHER ALONE OR AS A PRIMARY COMPONENT OF A
- 10 MIXTURE WITH OTHER SUBSTANCES, PROVIDED THE PROJECT HAS BEEN
- 11 APPROVED AS A SECONDARY OR ENHANCED RECOVERY PROJECT BY ORDER OF
- 12 THE SUPERVISOR OF WELLS UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF PART 615 OF THE
- 13 NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT, 1994 PA 451,
- 14 MCL 324.61501 TO 324.61527, OR PART 617 OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES
- 15 AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.61701 TO
- 16 324.61738.
- 17 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
- 18 unless all of the following bills of the 97th Legislature are
- 19 enacted into law:
- 20 (a) House Bill No. 5254.
- 21 (b) House Bill No. 5255.