## SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 5552

A bill to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled "The general property tax act,"

by amending section 27a (MCL 211.27a), as amended by 2013 PA 50.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 27a. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section,
- 2 property shall be assessed at 50% of its true cash value under
- 3 section 3 of article IX of the state constitution of 1963.
- 4 (2) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (3), for taxes
- 5 levied in 1995 and for each year after 1995, the taxable value of
- 6 each parcel of property is the lesser of the following:
- 7 (a) The property's taxable value in the immediately preceding
- 8 year minus any losses, multiplied by the lesser of 1.05 or the
- 9 inflation rate, plus all additions. For taxes levied in 1995, the
- 10 property's taxable value in the immediately preceding year is the

- 1 property's state equalized valuation in 1994.
- 2 (b) The property's current state equalized valuation.
- 3 (3) Upon a transfer of ownership of property after 1994, the
- 4 property's taxable value for the calendar year following the year
- 5 of the transfer is the property's state equalized valuation for the
- 6 calendar year following the transfer.
- 7 (4) If the taxable value of property is adjusted under
- 8 subsection (3), a subsequent increase in the property's taxable
- 9 value is subject to the limitation set forth in subsection (2)
- 10 until a subsequent transfer of ownership occurs. If the taxable
- 11 value of property is adjusted under subsection (3) and the assessor
- 12 determines that there had not been a transfer of ownership, the
- 13 taxable value of the property shall be adjusted at the July or
- 14 December board of review. Notwithstanding the limitation provided
- 15 in section 53b(1) on the number of years for which a correction may
- 16 be made, the July or December board of review may adjust the
- 17 taxable value of property under this subsection for the current
- 18 year and for the 3 immediately preceding calendar years. A
- 19 corrected tax bill shall be issued for each tax year for which the
- 20 taxable value is adjusted by the local tax collecting unit if the
- 21 local tax collecting unit has possession of the tax roll or by the
- 22 county treasurer if the county has possession of the tax roll. For
- 23 purposes of section 53b, an adjustment under this subsection shall
- 24 be considered the correction of a clerical error.
- 25 (5) Assessment of property, as required in this section and
- 26 section 27, is inapplicable to the assessment of property subject
- 27 to the levy of ad valorem taxes within voted tax limitation

- 1 increases to pay principal and interest on limited tax bonds issued
- 2 by any governmental unit, including a county, township, community
- 3 college district, or school district, before January 1, 1964, if
- 4 the assessment required to be made under this act would be less
- 5 than the assessment as state equalized prevailing on the property
- 6 at the time of the issuance of the bonds. This inapplicability
- 7 shall continue until levy of taxes to pay principal and interest on
- 8 the bonds is no longer required. The assessment of property
- 9 required by this act shall be applicable for all other purposes.
- 10 (6) As used in this act, "transfer of ownership" means the
- 11 conveyance of title to or a present interest in property, including
- 12 the beneficial use of the property, the value of which is
- 13 substantially equal to the value of the fee interest. Transfer of
- 14 ownership of property includes, but is not limited to, the
- 15 following:
- 16 (a) A conveyance by deed.
- 17 (b) A conveyance by land contract. The taxable value of
- 18 property conveyed by a land contract executed after December 31,
- 19 1994 shall be adjusted under subsection (3) for the calendar year
- 20 following the year in which the contract is entered into and shall
- 21 not be subsequently adjusted under subsection (3) when the deed
- 22 conveying title to the property is recorded in the office of the
- 23 register of deeds in the county in which the property is located.
- 24 (c) A conveyance to a trust after December 31, 1994, except if
- 25 UNDER ANY OF THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:
- 26 (i) IF the settlor or the settlor's spouse, or both, conveys
- 27 the property to the trust and the sole present beneficiary or

- 1 beneficiaries are the settlor or the settlor's spouse, or both.
- 2 (ii) BEGINNING DECEMBER 31, 2014, FOR RESIDENTIAL REAL
- 3 PROPERTY, IF THE SETTLOR OR THE SETTLOR'S SPOUSE, OR BOTH, CONVEYS
- 4 THE RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY TO THE TRUST AND THE SOLE PRESENT
- 5 BENEFICIARY OR BENEFICIARIES ARE THE SETTLOR'S OR THE SETTLOR'S
- 6 SPOUSE'S MOTHER, FATHER, BROTHER, SISTER, SON, DAUGHTER, ADOPTED
- 7 SON, ADOPTED DAUGHTER, GRANDSON, OR GRANDDAUGHTER AND THE
- 8 RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY IS NOT USED FOR ANY COMMERCIAL PURPOSE
- 9 FOLLOWING THE CONVEYANCE. UPON REQUEST BY THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 10 TREASURY OR THE ASSESSOR, THE SOLE PRESENT BENEFICIARY OR
- 11 BENEFICIARIES SHALL FURNISH PROOF WITHIN 30 DAYS THAT THE SOLE
- 12 PRESENT BENEFICIARY OR BENEFICIARIES MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS
- 13 SUBPARAGRAPH. IF A PRESENT BENEFICIARY FAILS TO COMPLY WITH A
- 14 REQUEST BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY OR ASSESSOR UNDER THIS
- 15 SUBPARAGRAPH, THAT PRESENT BENEFICIARY IS SUBJECT TO A FINE OF
- 16 \$200.00.
- 17 (d) A conveyance by distribution from a trust, except if UNDER
- 18 ANY OF THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:
- 19 (i) IF the distributee is the sole present beneficiary or the
- 20 spouse of the sole present beneficiary, or both.
- 21 (ii) BEGINNING DECEMBER 31, 2014, A DISTRIBUTION OF RESIDENTIAL
- 22 REAL PROPERTY IF THE DISTRIBUTEE IS THE SETTLOR'S OR THE SETTLOR'S
- 23 SPOUSE'S MOTHER, FATHER, BROTHER, SISTER, SON, DAUGHTER, ADOPTED
- 24 SON, ADOPTED DAUGHTER, GRANDSON, OR GRANDDAUGHTER AND THE
- 25 RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY IS NOT USED FOR ANY COMMERCIAL PURPOSE
- 26 FOLLOWING THE CONVEYANCE. UPON REQUEST BY THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 27 TREASURY OR THE ASSESSOR, THE SOLE PRESENT BENEFICIARY OR

- 1 BENEFICIARIES SHALL FURNISH PROOF WITHIN 30 DAYS THAT THE SOLE
- 2 PRESENT BENEFICIARY OR BENEFICIARIES MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS
- 3 SUBPARAGRAPH. IF A PRESENT BENEFICIARY FAILS TO COMPLY WITH A
- 4 REQUEST BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY OR ASSESSOR UNDER THIS
- 5 SUBPARAGRAPH, THAT PRESENT BENEFICIARY IS SUBJECT TO A FINE OF
- 6 \$200.00.
- 7 (e) A change in the sole present beneficiary or beneficiaries
- 8 of a trust, except a—UNDER ANY OF THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:
- 9 (i) A change that adds or substitutes the spouse of the sole
- 10 present beneficiary.
- 11 (ii) BEGINNING DECEMBER 31, 2014, FOR RESIDENTIAL REAL
- 12 PROPERTY, A CHANGE THAT ADDS OR SUBSTITUTES THE SETTLOR'S OR THE
- 13 SETTLOR'S SPOUSE'S MOTHER, FATHER, BROTHER, SISTER, SON, DAUGHTER,
- 14 ADOPTED SON, ADOPTED DAUGHTER, GRANDSON, OR GRANDDAUGHTER AND THE
- 15 RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY IS NOT USED FOR ANY COMMERCIAL PURPOSE
- 16 FOLLOWING THE CONVEYANCE. UPON REQUEST BY THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 17 TREASURY OR THE ASSESSOR, THE SOLE PRESENT BENEFICIARY OR
- 18 BENEFICIARIES SHALL FURNISH PROOF WITHIN 30 DAYS THAT THE SOLE
- 19 PRESENT BENEFICIARY OR BENEFICIARIES MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS
- 20 SUBPARAGRAPH. IF A PRESENT BENEFICIARY FAILS TO COMPLY WITH A
- 21 REQUEST BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY OR ASSESSOR UNDER THIS
- 22 SUBPARAGRAPH, THAT PRESENT BENEFICIARY IS SUBJECT TO A FINE OF
- 23 \$200.00.
- 24 (f) A conveyance by distribution under a will or by intestate
- 25 succession, except if the UNDER ANY OF THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:
- 26 (i) IF THE distributee is the decedent's spouse.
- 27 (ii) BEGINNING DECEMBER 31, 2014, FOR RESIDENTIAL REAL

- 1 PROPERTY, IF THE DISTRIBUTEE IS THE DECEDENT'S OR THE DECEDENT'S
- 2 SPOUSE'S MOTHER, FATHER, BROTHER, SISTER, SON, DAUGHTER, ADOPTED
- 3 SON, ADOPTED DAUGHTER, GRANDSON, OR GRANDDAUGHTER AND THE
- 4 RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY IS NOT USED FOR ANY COMMERCIAL PURPOSE
- 5 FOLLOWING THE CONVEYANCE. UPON REQUEST BY THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 6 TREASURY OR THE ASSESSOR, THE SOLE PRESENT BENEFICIARY OR
- 7 BENEFICIARIES SHALL FURNISH PROOF WITHIN 30 DAYS THAT THE SOLE
- 8 PRESENT BENEFICIARY OR BENEFICIARIES MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS
- 9 SUBPARAGRAPH. IF A PRESENT BENEFICIARY FAILS TO COMPLY WITH A
- 10 REQUEST BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY OR ASSESSOR UNDER THIS
- 11 SUBPARAGRAPH, THAT PRESENT BENEFICIARY IS SUBJECT TO A FINE OF
- 12 \$200.00.
- 13 (g) A conveyance by lease if the total duration of the lease,
- 14 including the initial term and all options for renewal, is more
- 15 than 35 years or the lease grants the lessee a bargain purchase
- 16 option. As used in this subdivision, "bargain purchase option"
- 17 means the right to purchase the property at the termination of the
- 18 lease for not more than 80% of the property's projected true cash
- 19 value at the termination of the lease. After December 31, 1994, the
- 20 taxable value of property conveyed by a lease with a total duration
- 21 of more than 35 years or with a bargain purchase option shall be
- 22 adjusted under subsection (3) for the calendar year following the
- 23 year in which the lease is entered into. This subdivision does not
- 24 apply to personal property except buildings described in section
- 25 14(6) and personal property described in section 8(h), (i), and
- 26 (j). This subdivision does not apply to that portion of the
- 27 property not subject to the leasehold interest conveyed.

- 1 (h) Except as otherwise provided in this subdivision, a
- 2 conveyance of an ownership interest in a corporation, partnership,
- 3 sole proprietorship, limited liability company, limited liability
- 4 partnership, or other legal entity if the ownership interest
- 5 conveyed is more than 50% of the corporation, partnership, sole
- 6 proprietorship, limited liability company, limited liability
- 7 partnership, or other legal entity. Unless notification is provided
- 8 under subsection (10), the corporation, partnership, sole
- 9 proprietorship, limited liability company, limited liability
- 10 partnership, or other legal entity shall notify the assessing
- 11 officer on a form provided by the state tax commission not more
- 12 than 45 days after a conveyance of an ownership interest that
- 13 constitutes a transfer of ownership under this subdivision. Both of
- 14 the following apply to a corporation subject to 1897 PA 230, MCL
- **15** 455.1 to 455.24:
- 16 (i) A transfer of stock of the corporation is a transfer of
- 17 ownership only with respect to the real property that is assessed
- 18 to the transferor lessee stockholder.
- 19 (ii) A cumulative conveyance of more than 50% of the
- 20 corporation's stock does not constitute a transfer of ownership of
- 21 the corporation's real property.
- 22 (i) A transfer of property held as a tenancy in common, except
- 23 that portion of the property not subject to the ownership interest
- 24 conveyed.
- 25 (j) A conveyance of an ownership interest in a cooperative
- 26 housing corporation, except that portion of the property not
- 27 subject to the ownership interest conveyed.

- 1 (7) Transfer of ownership does not include the following:
- 2 (a) The transfer of property from 1 spouse to the other spouse
- 3 or from a decedent to a surviving spouse.
- 4 (b) A transfer from a husband, a wife, or a husband and wife
- 5 creating or disjoining a tenancy by the entireties in the grantors
- 6 or the grantor and his or her spouse.
- 7 (c) A transfer of that portion of property subject to a life
- 8 estate or life lease retained by the transferor, until expiration
- 9 or termination of the life estate or life lease. That portion of
- 10 property transferred that is not subject to a life lease shall be
- 11 adjusted under subsection (3).
- 12 (d) A transfer through foreclosure or forfeiture of a recorded
- 13 instrument under chapter 31, 32, or 57 of the revised judicature
- 14 act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3101 to 600.3285 and MCL 600.5701
- 15 to 600.5759, or through deed or conveyance in lieu of a foreclosure
- 16 or forfeiture, until the mortgagee or land contract vendor
- 17 subsequently transfers the property. If a mortgagee does not
- 18 transfer the property within 1 year of the expiration of any
- 19 applicable redemption period, the property shall be adjusted under
- 20 subsection (3).
- (e) A transfer by redemption by the person to whom taxes are
- 22 assessed of property previously sold for delinquent taxes.
- 23 (f) A conveyance to a trust if the settlor or the settlor's
- 24 spouse, or both, conveys the property to the trust and the ANY OF
- 25 THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS ARE SATISFIED:
- 26 (i) IF THE sole present beneficiary of the trust is the settlor
- or the settlor's spouse, or both.

- 1 (ii) BEGINNING DECEMBER 31, 2014, FOR RESIDENTIAL REAL
- 2 PROPERTY, IF THE SOLE PRESENT BENEFICIARY OF THE TRUST IS THE
- 3 SETTLOR'S OR THE SETTLOR'S SPOUSE'S MOTHER, FATHER, BROTHER,
- 4 SISTER, SON, DAUGHTER, ADOPTED SON, ADOPTED DAUGHTER, GRANDSON, OR
- 5 GRANDDAUGHTER AND THE RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY IS NOT USED FOR ANY
- 6 COMMERCIAL PURPOSE FOLLOWING THE CONVEYANCE. UPON REQUEST BY THE
- 7 DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY OR THE ASSESSOR, THE SOLE PRESENT
- 8 BENEFICIARY OR BENEFICIARIES SHALL FURNISH PROOF WITHIN 30 DAYS
- 9 THAT THE SOLE PRESENT BENEFICIARY OR BENEFICIARIES MEET THE
- 10 REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SUBPARAGRAPH. IF A PRESENT BENEFICIARY FAILS
- 11 TO COMPLY WITH A REQUEST BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY OR ASSESSOR
- 12 UNDER THIS SUBPARAGRAPH, THAT PRESENT BENEFICIARY IS SUBJECT TO A
- 13 FINE OF \$200.00.
- 14 (g) A transfer pursuant to a judgment or order of a court of
- 15 record making or ordering a transfer, unless a specific monetary
- 16 consideration is specified or ordered by the court for the
- 17 transfer.
- 18 (h) A transfer creating or terminating a joint tenancy between
- 19 2 or more persons if at least 1 of the persons was an original
- 20 owner of the property before the joint tenancy was initially
- 21 created and, if the property is held as a joint tenancy at the time
- 22 of conveyance, at least 1 of the persons was a joint tenant when
- 23 the joint tenancy was initially created and that person has
- 24 remained a joint tenant since the joint tenancy was initially
- 25 created. A joint owner at the time of the last transfer of
- 26 ownership of the property is an original owner of the property. For
- 27 purposes of this subdivision, a person is an original owner of

- 1 property owned by that person's spouse.
- 2 (i) A transfer for security or an assignment or discharge of a
- 3 security interest.
- 4 (j) A transfer of real property or other ownership interests
- 5 among members of an affiliated group. As used in this subsection,
- 6 "affiliated group" means 1 or more corporations connected by stock
- 7 ownership to a common parent corporation. Upon request by the state
- 8 tax commission, a corporation shall furnish proof within 45 days
- 9 that a transfer meets the requirements of this subdivision. A
- 10 corporation that fails to comply with a request by the state tax
- 11 commission under this subdivision is subject to a fine of \$200.00.
- 12 (k) Normal public trading of shares of stock or other
- 13 ownership interests that, over any period of time, cumulatively
- 14 represent more than 50% of the total ownership interest in a
- 15 corporation or other legal entity and are traded in multiple
- 16 transactions involving unrelated individuals, institutions, or
- 17 other legal entities.
- 18 (l) A transfer of real property or other ownership interests
- 19 among corporations, partnerships, limited liability companies,
- 20 limited liability partnerships, or other legal entities if the
- 21 entities involved are commonly controlled. Upon request by the
- 22 state tax commission, a corporation, partnership, limited liability
- 23 company, limited liability partnership, or other legal entity shall
- 24 furnish proof within 45 days that a transfer meets the requirements
- 25 of this subdivision. A corporation, partnership, limited liability
- 26 company, limited liability partnership, or other legal entity that
- 27 fails to comply with a request by the state tax commission under

- 1 this subdivision is subject to a fine of \$200.00.
- 2 (m) A direct or indirect transfer of real property or other
- 3 ownership interests resulting from a transaction that qualifies as
- 4 a tax-free reorganization under section 368 of the internal revenue
- 5 code, 26 USC 368. Upon request by the state tax commission, a
- 6 property owner shall furnish proof within 45 days that a transfer
- 7 meets the requirements of this subdivision. A property owner who
- 8 fails to comply with a request by the state tax commission under
- 9 this subdivision is subject to a fine of \$200.00.
- 10 (n) A transfer of qualified agricultural property, if the
- 11 person to whom the qualified agricultural property is transferred
- 12 files an affidavit with the assessor of the local tax collecting
- 13 unit in which the qualified agricultural property is located and
- 14 with the register of deeds for the county in which the qualified
- 15 agricultural property is located attesting that the qualified
- 16 agricultural property shall remain qualified agricultural property.
- 17 The affidavit under this subdivision shall be in a form prescribed
- 18 by the department of treasury. An owner of qualified agricultural
- 19 property shall inform a prospective buyer of that qualified
- 20 agricultural property that the qualified agricultural property is
- 21 subject to the recapture tax provided in the agricultural property
- 22 recapture act, 2000 PA 261, MCL 211.1001 to 211.1007, if the
- 23 qualified agricultural property is converted by a change in use, as
- 24 that term is defined in section 2 of the agricultural property
- 25 recapture act, 2000 PA 261, MCL 211.1002. If property ceases to be
- 26 qualified agricultural property at any time after being
- 27 transferred, all of the following shall occur:

- $\mathbf{1}$  (i) The taxable value of that property shall be adjusted under
- 2 subsection (3) as of the December 31 in the year that the property
- 3 ceases to be qualified agricultural property.
- 4 (ii) The property is subject to the recapture tax provided for
- 5 under the agricultural property recapture act, 2000 PA 261, MCL
- 6 211.1001 to 211.1007.
- 7 (o) A transfer of qualified forest property, if the person to
- 8 whom the qualified forest property is transferred files a qualified
- 9 forest taxable value affidavit with the assessor of the local tax
- 10 collecting unit in which the qualified forest property is located
- 11 and with the register of deeds for the county in which the
- 12 qualified forest property is located attesting that the qualified
- 13 forest property shall remain qualified forest property. The
- 14 qualified forest taxable value affidavit under this subdivision
- shall be in a form prescribed by the department of agriculture and
- 16 rural development. The qualified forest taxable value affidavit
- 17 shall include a legal description of the qualified forest property,
- 18 the name of the new property owner, the year the transfer of the
- 19 property occurred, a statement indicating that the property owner
- 20 is attesting that the property for which the exemption is claimed
- 21 is qualified forest property and will be managed according to the
- 22 approved forest management plan, and any other information
- 23 pertinent to the parcel and the property owner. The property owner
- 24 shall provide a copy of the qualified forest taxable value
- 25 affidavit to the department. The department shall provide 1 copy of
- 26 the qualified forest taxable value affidavit to the local tax
- 27 collecting unit, 1 copy to the conservation district, and 1 copy to

- 1 the department of treasury. These copies may be sent
- 2 electronically. The exception to the recognition of a transfer of
- 3 ownership, as herein stated, shall extend to the land only of the
- 4 qualified forest property. If qualified forest property is improved
- 5 by buildings, structures, or land improvements, then those
- 6 improvements shall be recognized as a transfer of ownership, in
- 7 accordance with the provisions of section 7jj. 7JJ[1]. An owner of
- 8 qualified forest property shall inform a prospective buyer of that
- 9 qualified forest property that the qualified forest property is
- 10 subject to the recapture tax provided in the qualified forest
- 11 property recapture tax act, 2006 PA 379, MCL 211.1031 to 211.1036,
- 12 if the qualified forest property is converted by a change in use,
- 13 as that term is defined in section 2 of the qualified forest
- 14 property recapture tax act, 2006 PA 379, MCL 211.1032. If property
- 15 ceases to be qualified forest property at any time after being
- 16 transferred, all of the following shall occur:
- 17 (i) The taxable value of that property shall be adjusted under
- 18 subsection (3) as of the December 31 in the year that the property
- 19 ceases to be qualified forest property, except to the extent that
- 20 the transfer of the qualified forest property would not have been
- 21 considered a transfer of ownership under this subsection.
- 22 (ii) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (iii), the
- 23 property is subject to the recapture tax provided for under the
- 24 qualified forest property recapture tax act, 2006 PA 379, MCL
- 25 211.1031 to 211.1036.
- 26 (iii) Beginning June 1, 2013 and ending November 30, 2013,
- 27 owners of property enrolled as qualified forest property prior to

- 1 January 1, 2013 may execute a new qualified forest taxable value
- 2 affidavit with the department of agriculture and rural development.
- 3 If a landowner elects to execute a qualified forest taxable value
- 4 affidavit, that owner is not required to pay the \$50.00 fee
- 5 required under section  $\frac{7}{1}$ (2).  $\frac{7}{1}$ (1)(2). If a landowner elects not
- 6 to execute a qualified forest taxable value affidavit, the existing
- 7 affidavit shall be rescinded, without subjecting the property to
- 8 the recapture tax provided for under the qualified forest property
- 9 recapture tax act, 2006 PA 379, MCL 211.1031 to 211.1036, and the
- 10 taxable value of that property shall be adjusted under subsection
- **11** (3).
- 12 (p) Beginning on December 8, 2006, a transfer of land, but not
- 13 buildings or structures located on the land, which meets 1 or more
- 14 of the following requirements:
- 15 (i) The land is subject to a conservation easement under
- 16 subpart 11 of part 21 of the natural resources and environmental
- 17 protection act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.2140 to 324.2144. As used in
- 18 this subparagraph, "conservation easement" means that term as
- 19 defined in section 2140 of the natural resources and environmental
- 20 protection act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.2140.
- 21 (ii) A transfer of ownership of the land or a transfer of an
- 22 interest in the land is eligible for a deduction as a qualified
- 23 conservation contribution under section 170(h) of the internal
- 24 revenue code, 26 USC 170.
- 25 (q) A transfer of real property or other ownership interests
- 26 resulting from a consolidation or merger of a domestic nonprofit
- 27 corporation that is a boy or girl scout or camp fire girls

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- 1 organization, a 4-H club or foundation, a young men's Christian
- 2 association, or a young women's Christian association and at least
- 3 50% of the members of that organization or association are
- 4 residents of this state.
- 5 (r) A change to the assessment roll or tax roll resulting from
- 6 the application of section 16a of 1897 PA 230, MCL 455.16a.
- 7 (s) Beginning December 31, 2013 THROUGH DECEMBER 30, 2014, a
- 8 transfer of residential real property if the transferee is related
- 9 to the transferor by blood or affinity to the first degree and the
- 10 use of the residential real property does not change following the
- 11 transfer. As used in this subdivision, "residential real property"
- 12 means real property classified as residential real property under
- 13 section 34c.
- 14 (T) BEGINNING DECEMBER 31, 2014, A TRANSFER OF RESIDENTIAL
- 15 REAL PROPERTY IF THE TRANSFEREE IS THE TRANSFEROR'S OR THE
- 16 TRANSFEROR'S SPOUSE'S MOTHER, FATHER, BROTHER, SISTER, SON,
- 17 DAUGHTER, ADOPTED SON, ADOPTED DAUGHTER, GRANDSON, OR GRANDDAUGHTER
- 18 AND THE RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY IS NOT USED FOR ANY COMMERCIAL
- 19 PURPOSE FOLLOWING THE CONVEYANCE. UPON REQUEST BY THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 20 TREASURY OR THE ASSESSOR, THE <<TRANSFEREE
- 21 >> SHALL FURNISH PROOF WITHIN 30 DAYS THAT THE <<TRANSFEREE
- 22 MEETS >> THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS
- 23 SUBPARAGRAPH. IF A << TRANSFEREE >> FAILS TO COMPLY WITH A
- 24 REQUEST BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY OR ASSESSOR UNDER THIS
- 25 SUBPARAGRAPH, THAT <<TRANSFEREE >> IS SUBJECT TO A FINE OF
- 26 \$200.00.
- 27 (U) BEGINNING DECEMBER 31, 2014, FOR RESIDENTIAL REAL

- 1 PROPERTY, A CONVEYANCE FROM A TRUST IF THE PERSON TO WHOM THE
- 2 RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY IS CONVEYED IS THE SETTLOR'S OR THE
- 3 SETTLOR'S SPOUSE'S MOTHER, FATHER, BROTHER, SISTER, SON, DAUGHTER,
- 4 ADOPTED SON, ADOPTED DAUGHTER, GRANDSON, OR GRANDDAUGHTER AND THE
- 5 RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY IS NOT USED FOR ANY COMMERCIAL PURPOSE
- 6 FOLLOWING THE CONVEYANCE. UPON REQUEST BY THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 7 TREASURY OR THE ASSESSOR, THE SOLE PRESENT BENEFICIARY OR
- 8 BENEFICIARIES SHALL FURNISH PROOF WITHIN 30 DAYS THAT THE SOLE
- 9 PRESENT BENEFICIARY OR BENEFICIARIES MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS
- 10 SUBPARAGRAPH. IF A PRESENT BENEFICIARY FAILS TO COMPLY WITH A
- 11 REQUEST BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY OR ASSESSOR UNDER THIS
- 12 SUBPARAGRAPH, THAT PRESENT BENEFICIARY IS SUBJECT TO A FINE OF
- 13 \$200.00.
- 14 (8) If all of the following conditions are satisfied, the
- 15 local tax collecting unit shall revise the taxable value of
- 16 qualified agricultural property taxable on the tax roll in the
- 17 possession of that local tax collecting unit to the taxable value
- 18 that qualified agricultural property would have had if there had
- 19 been no transfer of ownership of that qualified agricultural
- 20 property since December 31, 1999 and there had been no adjustment
- 21 of that qualified agricultural property's taxable value under
- 22 subsection (3) since December 31, 1999:
- 23 (a) The qualified agricultural property was qualified
- 24 agricultural property for taxes levied in 1999 and each year after
- **25** 1999.
- 26 (b) The owner of the qualified agricultural property files an
- 27 affidavit with the assessor of the local tax collecting unit under

- 1 subsection (7)(n).
- 2 (9) If the taxable value of qualified agricultural property is
- 3 adjusted under subsection (8), the owner of that qualified
- 4 agricultural property shall not be entitled to a refund for any
- 5 property taxes collected under this act on that qualified
- 6 agricultural property before the adjustment under subsection (8).
- 7 (10) The register of deeds of the county where deeds or other
- 8 title documents are recorded shall notify the assessing officer of
- 9 the appropriate local taxing unit not less than once each month of
- 10 any recorded transaction involving the ownership of property and
- 11 shall make any recorded deeds or other title documents available to
- 12 that county's tax or equalization department. Unless notification
- is provided under subsection (6), the buyer, grantee, or other
- 14 transferee of the property shall notify the appropriate assessing
- 15 office in the local unit of government in which the property is
- 16 located of the transfer of ownership of the property within 45 days
- 17 of the transfer of ownership, on a form prescribed by the state tax
- 18 commission that states the parties to the transfer, the date of the
- 19 transfer, the actual consideration for the transfer, and the
- 20 property's parcel identification number or legal description. Forms
- 21 filed in the assessing office of a local unit of government under
- 22 this subsection shall be made available to the county tax or
- 23 equalization department for the county in which that local unit of
- 24 government is located. This subsection does not apply to personal
- 25 property except buildings described in section 14(6) and personal
- 26 property described in section 8(h), (i), and (j).
- 27 (11) As used in this section:

- 1 (a) "Additions" means that term as defined in section 34d.
- 2 (b) "Beneficial use" means the right to possession, use, and
- 3 enjoyment of property, limited only by encumbrances, easements, and
- 4 restrictions of record.
- 5 (c) "Inflation rate" means that term as defined in section
- 6 34d.
- 7 (d) "Losses" means that term as defined in section 34d.
- 8 (e) "Qualified agricultural property" means that term as
- 9 defined in section 7dd.
- 10 (f) "Qualified forest property" means that term as defined in
- **11** section 7jj[1].
- 12 (G) "RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY" MEANS REAL PROPERTY CLASSIFIED
- 13 AS RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY UNDER SECTION 34C.