SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 330

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

(MCL 211.1 to 211.155) by adding section 7c.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 7c. An exemption granted under section 7b as to taxes
- 2 levied on or after January 1, 2025 remains in effect, without
- 3 subsequent reapplication, until it is rescinded by the individual
- 4 who was granted the exemption or is denied by the assessor, as
- 5 follows:
- 6 (a) The individual shall file with the local assessing unit,
- 7 in a form and manner prescribed by the state tax commission, a form
- 8 rescinding the exemption within 45 days after the occurrence of
- 9 either of the following:

- 1 (i) The individual ceases to use and own as a homestead the property for which the exemption was granted.
- 3 (ii) The individual no longer meets the qualifications under 4 section 7b to receive the exemption.
- 5 (b) A local assessing unit shall implement an audit program, as prescribed by the state tax commission, that includes, but is 6 7 not limited to, the audit of all information filed under section 8 7b(2). The audit must not occur more than once every 3 years. If 9 property is determined to be ineligible for exemption as a result 10 of an audit, the individual who was granted the exemption under 11 section 7b is subject to repayment of additional taxes including 12 interest to be paid as provided in subdivisions (c) and (d).
 - (c) The assessor may deny a new claim, or an existing claim following an audit, as further provided in subdivision (d).
 - (d) The assessor shall, in a form and manner prescribed by the state tax commission, notify the individual of the denial of the new or existing claim, the reason for the denial, and that the denial may be appealed to the residential and small claims division of the tax tribunal within 35 days after the date of the notice. The assessor may deny a claim for exemption for the current year and for the 3 immediately preceding calendar years. If the tax roll is in the local tax collecting unit's possession, it shall amend the tax roll to reflect the removal of the exemption, and the local treasurer shall, within 30 days after the date of the discovery, issue a corrected tax bill for any additional taxes with interest at the rate of 1% per month or fraction of a month computed from the date the taxes were last payable without interest. If the tax roll is in the county treasurer's possession, the tax roll must be amended to reflect the removal of the exemption and the county

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- 1 treasurer shall, within 30 days after the date of the removal,
- 2 prepare and submit a supplemental tax bill for any additional
- 3 taxes, together with interest at the rate of 1% per month or
- 4 fraction of a month computed from the date the taxes were last
- 5 payable without interest. Interest on any tax set forth in a
- 6 corrected or supplemental tax bill again begins to accrue 60 days
- 7 after the date the corrected or supplemental tax bill is issued at
- 8 the rate of 1% per month or fraction of a month. Taxes levied in a
- 9 corrected or supplemental tax bill must be returned as delinquent
- 10 on March 1 in the year immediately succeeding the year in which the
- 11 corrected or supplemental tax bill is issued.
- 12 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
- 13 unless Senate Bill No. 176 of the 102nd Legislature is enacted into
- **14** law.