

# HOUSE BILL No. 4131

January 30, 2003, Introduced by Reps. Daniels, Pumford and Phillips and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to abolish the right of dower.

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

1       Sec. 1. A wife's dower right, upon the death of her  
2 husband, to a life estate in 1/3 of any land that the husband  
3 owned in fee during his lifetime is abolished and unenforceable  
4 either through statute or at common law.

5       Sec. 2. This act does not affect, limit, or void  
6 contractual or other legal rights that the wife otherwise  
7 possesses or acquires during the marriage.