

# HOUSE BILL No. 4817

May 19, 2005, Introduced by Reps. Caul, Baxter, LaJoy, Pavlov, Huizenga, Nitz, Newell, Stewart, Stahl, Gosselin, Elsenheimer, Mortimer, Booher, Emmons, Nofs, Taub and Hildenbrand and referred to the Committee on Commerce.

A bill to amend 1996 PA 376, entitled "Michigan renaissance zone act," by amending section 3 (MCL 125.2683), as amended by 2000 PA 259.

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

1           Sec. 3. As used in this act:

2           (a) "Agricultural processing facility" means 1 or more  
3 facilities or operations that transform, package, sort, or grade  
4 livestock or livestock products, agricultural commodities, or  
5 plants or plant products into goods that are used for intermediate  
6 or final consumption including goods for nonfood use, and  
7 surrounding property.

8           (b) "Board" means the state administrative board created in  
9 1921 PA 2, MCL 17.1 to 17.3.

1 (c) "Development plan" means a written plan that addresses the  
2 criteria in section 7 and includes all of the following:

3 (i) A map of the proposed renaissance zone that indicates the  
4 geographic boundaries, the total area, and the present use and  
5 conditions generally of the land and structures within those  
6 boundaries.

7 (ii) Evidence of community support and commitment from  
8 residential and business interests.

9 (iii) A description of the methods proposed to increase economic  
10 opportunity and expansion, facilitate infrastructure improvement,  
11 and identify job training opportunities.

12 (iv) Current social, economic, and demographic characteristics  
13 of the proposed renaissance zone and anticipated improvements in  
14 education, health, human services, public safety, and employment if  
15 the renaissance zone is created.

16 (v) Any other information required by the board.

17 (d) "Elected county executive" means the elected county  
18 executive in a county organized under 1966 PA 293, MCL 45.501 to  
19 45.521, or 1973 PA 139, MCL 45.551 to 45.573.

20 (e) "Local governmental unit" means a county, city, village,  
21 or township.

22 (f) "Person" means an individual, partnership, corporation,  
23 association, limited liability company, governmental entity, or  
24 other legal entity.

25 (g) "Qualified local governmental unit" means either of the  
26 following:

27 (i) A county.

1           (ii) A city, village, or township that contains an eligible  
2 distressed area as defined in section 11 of the state housing  
3 development authority act of 1966, 1966 PA 346, MCL 125.1411.

4           **(H) "RECOVERY ZONE" MEANS A TOOL AND DIE RENAISSANCE RECOVERY**  
5 **ZONE CREATED IN SECTION 8D.**

6           **(I) —(h)—** "Renaissance zone" means a geographic area  
7 designated under this act.

8           **(J) —(i)—** "Residential rental property" means that term as  
9 defined in section 7ff of the general property tax act, 1893 PA  
10 206, MCL 211.7ff.

11           **(K) —(j)—** "Review board" means the renaissance zone review  
12 board created in section 5.

13           **(L) —(k)—** "Rural area" means an area that lies outside of the  
14 boundaries of an urban area.

15           **(M) —(l)—** "Urban area" means an urbanized area as determined by  
16 the economics and statistics administration, United States bureau  
17 of the census according to the 1990 census.