

**SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 4646**

A bill to amend 1992 PA 147, entitled
"Neighborhood enterprise zone act,"
by amending sections 2, 3, 6, and 10 (MCL 207.772, 207.773,
207.776, and 207.780), sections 2 and 10 as amended by 2020 PA 3,
section 3 as amended by 2008 PA 204, and section 6 as amended by
2008 PA 284.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 2. As used in this act:
- 2 (a) "Commission" means the state tax commission created by
- 3 1927 PA 360, MCL 209.101 to 209.107.
- 4 (b) "Condominium unit" means that portion of a structure
- 5 intended for separate ownership, intended for residential use, and
- 6 established under the condominium act, 1978 PA 59, MCL 559.101 to



1 559.276. Condominium units within a qualified historic building may
2 be held under common ownership.

3 (c) "Developer" means a person who is the owner of a new
4 facility at the time of construction or of a rehabilitated facility
5 at the time of rehabilitation for which a neighborhood enterprise
6 zone certificate is applied for or issued.

7 (d) "Facility" means a homestead facility, a new facility, or
8 a rehabilitated facility.

9 (e) "Homestead facility" means 1 of the following:

10 (i) An existing structure, purchased by or transferred to an
11 owner after December 31, 1996, that has as its primary purpose
12 residential housing consisting of 1 or 2 units, 1 of which is
13 occupied by an owner as his or her principal residence and that is
14 located within a subdivision platted pursuant to state law before
15 January 1, 1968 other than an existing structure for which a
16 certificate will or has been issued after December 31, 2006 in a
17 city with a population of 750,000 or more, is located within a
18 subdivision platted pursuant to state law before January 1, 1968.

19 (ii) An existing structure that has as its primary purpose
20 residential housing consisting of 1 or 2 units, 1 of which is
21 occupied by an owner as his or her principal residence that is
22 located in a subdivision platted after January 1, 1999 and is
23 located in a county with a population of more than 400,000 and less
24 than 500,000 according to the most recent decennial census and is
25 located in a city with a population of more than 100,000 and less
26 than 125,000 according to the most recent decennial census.

27 (f) "Local governmental unit" means a ~~qualified local~~
28 ~~governmental unit as that term is defined under section 2 of the~~
29 ~~obsolete property rehabilitation act, 2000 PA 146, MCL 125.2782, or~~



1 ~~a county seat.~~ **city, village, or township.**

2 (g) "New facility" means 1 or both of the following:

3 (i) A new structure or a portion of a new structure that has as
4 its primary purpose residential housing consisting of 1 or 2 units,
5 1 of which is or will be occupied by an owner as his or her
6 principal residence. New facility includes a model home or a model
7 condominium unit. New facility includes a new individual
8 condominium unit, in a structure with 1 or more condominium units,
9 that has as its primary purpose residential housing and that is or
10 will be occupied by an owner as his or her principal residence.
11 Except as provided in subparagraph (ii), new facility does not
12 include apartments.

13 (ii) A new structure or a portion of a new structure that meets
14 all of the following:

15 (A) Is rented or leased or is available for rent or lease.

16 (B) Is a mixed use building or located in a mixed use building
17 that contains retail business space on the street level floor.

18 (C) Is located in a qualified downtown revitalization
19 district.

20 (h) "Neighborhood enterprise zone certificate" or
21 "certificate" means a certificate issued pursuant to sections 4, 5,
22 and 6.

23 (i) "Owner" means the record title holder of, or the vendee of
24 the original land contract pertaining to, a new facility, a
25 homestead facility, or a rehabilitated facility for which a
26 neighborhood enterprise zone certificate is applied for or issued.

27 (j) "Qualified assessing authority" means 1 of the following:

28 (i) For a facility other than a homestead facility, the
29 commission.



1 (ii) For a homestead facility, the assessor of the local
2 governmental unit in which the homestead facility is located.

3 (k) "Qualified downtown revitalization district" means an area
4 located within 1 or more of the following:

5 (i) The boundaries of a downtown district as defined in section
6 201 of the recodified tax increment financing act, 2018 PA 57, MCL
7 125.4201.

8 (ii) The boundaries of a principal shopping district or a
9 business improvement district as defined in section 1 of 1961 PA
10 120, MCL 125.981.

11 (iii) The boundaries of the local governmental unit in an area
12 that is zoned and primarily used for business as determined by the
13 local governmental unit.

14 (l) "Qualified historic building" means a property within a
15 neighborhood enterprise zone that has been designated a historic
16 resource as defined under section 266 of the income tax act of
17 1967, 1967 PA 281, MCL 206.266.

18 (m) "Rehabilitated facility" means, except as otherwise
19 provided in section 2a, an existing structure or a portion of an
20 existing structure with a current true cash value of \$120,000.00 or
21 less per unit that has or will have as its primary purpose
22 residential housing, consisting of 1 to 8 units, the owner of which
23 proposes improvements that if done by a licensed contractor would
24 cost in excess of \$10,000.00 per owner-occupied unit or 50% of the
25 true cash value, whichever is less, or \$15,000.00 per nonowner-
26 occupied unit or 50% of the true cash value, whichever is less, or
27 the owner proposes improvements that would be done by the owner and
28 not a licensed contractor and the cost of the materials would be in
29 excess of \$3,000.00 per owner-occupied unit or \$4,500.00 per



1 nonowner-occupied unit and will bring the structure into
2 conformance with minimum local building code standards for
3 occupancy or improve the livability of the units while meeting
4 minimum local building code standards. Rehabilitated facility also
5 includes an individual condominium unit, in a structure with 1 or
6 more condominium units that has as its primary purpose residential
7 housing, the owner of which proposes the above described
8 improvements. Rehabilitated facility also includes existing or
9 proposed condominium units in a qualified historic building with 1
10 or more existing or proposed condominium units. Rehabilitated
11 facility does not include a facility rehabilitated with the
12 proceeds of an insurance policy for property or casualty loss. A
13 qualified historic building may contain multiple rehabilitated
14 facilities.

15 Sec. 3. (1) The governing body of a local governmental unit by
16 resolution may designate 1 or more neighborhood enterprise zones
17 within that local governmental unit. Except as otherwise provided
18 in this subsection, a neighborhood enterprise zone shall contain
19 not less than 10 platted parcels of land. A neighborhood enterprise
20 zone located in a qualified downtown revitalization district may
21 contain less than 10 platted parcels if the platted parcels
22 together contain 10 or more facilities. All the land within a
23 neighborhood enterprise zone shall also be compact and contiguous.
24 Contiguity is not broken by a road, right-of-way, or property
25 purchased or taken under condemnation if the purchased or condemned
26 property was a single parcel prior to the sale or condemnation.

27 (2) The total acreage of the neighborhood enterprise zones
28 containing only new facilities or rehabilitated facilities or any
29 combination of new facilities or rehabilitated facilities



1 designated under this act shall not exceed 15% of the total acreage
2 contained within the boundaries of the local governmental unit. The
3 total acreage of the neighborhood enterprise zones containing only
4 homestead facilities designated under this act shall not exceed 10%
5 of the total acreage contained within the boundaries of the local
6 governmental unit or, with the approval of the board of
7 commissioners of the county in which the neighborhood enterprise
8 zone is located if the county does not have an elected or appointed
9 county executive or with the approval of the board of commissioners
10 and the county executive of the county in which the neighborhood
11 enterprise zone is located if the county has an elected or
12 appointed county executive, 15% of the total acreage contained
13 within the boundaries of the local governmental unit.

14 (3) Not less than 60 days before the passage of a resolution
15 designating a neighborhood enterprise zone or the repeal or
16 amendment of a resolution under subsection (5), the clerk of the
17 local governmental unit shall give written notice to the assessor
18 and to the governing body of each taxing unit that levies ad
19 valorem property taxes in the proposed neighborhood enterprise
20 zone. Before acting upon the resolution, the governing body of the
21 local governmental unit shall make a finding that a proposed
22 neighborhood enterprise zone is consistent with the master plan of
23 the local governmental unit and the neighborhood preservation and
24 economic development goals of the local governmental unit. The
25 governing body before acting upon the resolution shall also adopt a
26 statement of the local governmental unit's goals, objectives, and
27 policies relative to the maintenance, preservation, improvement,
28 and development of housing for all persons regardless of income
29 level living within the proposed neighborhood enterprise zone.



1 Additionally, before acting upon the resolution, the governing body
2 of a local governmental unit with a population greater than 20,000
3 shall pass a housing inspection ordinance. A local governmental
4 unit with a population of 20,000 or less may pass a housing
5 inspection ordinance. Before the sale of a unit in a new or
6 rehabilitated facility for which a neighborhood enterprise zone
7 certificate is in effect, an inspection shall be made of the unit
8 to determine compliance with any local construction or safety codes
9 and that a sale may not be finalized until there is compliance with
10 those local construction or safety codes. The governing body shall
11 hold a public hearing not later than 45 days after the date the
12 notice is sent but before acting upon the resolution.

13 (4) Upon receipt of a notice under subsection (3), the
14 assessor shall determine and furnish to the governing body of the
15 local governmental unit the amount of the true cash value of the
16 property located within the proposed neighborhood enterprise zone
17 and any other information considered necessary by the governing
18 body.

19 (5) A resolution designating a neighborhood enterprise zone,
20 other than a zone designated under subsection (2), may be repealed
21 or amended not sooner than 3 years after the date of adoption or of
22 the most recent amendment of the resolution by the governing body
23 of the local governmental unit. The repeal or amendment of the
24 resolution shall take effect 6 months after adoption. However, an
25 action taken under this subsection does not invalidate a
26 certificate that is issued or in effect and a facility for which a
27 certificate is issued or in effect shall continue to be included in
28 the total acreage limitations under this section until the
29 certificate is expired or revoked.



1 (6) A resolution designating a neighborhood enterprise zone in
2 an obsolete property rehabilitation district that was created by a
3 local unit of government on June 6, 2003, and for which the state
4 tax commission issued obsolete property rehabilitation certificates
5 on August 26, 2003, and September 24, 2003 will cause any previous
6 certificate to expire on the December 30 immediately preceding the
7 December 31 on which the first neighborhood enterprise zone
8 certificate is effective. The taxable value of the parcel shall be
9 calculated using the value of the parcel before the building permit
10 was issued. This subdivision authorizes an amended obsolete
11 property rehabilitation certificate approved by the state tax
12 commission for the portion of the parcel contained in the original
13 certificate for which an application for a neighborhood enterprise
14 zone certificate was not submitted.

15 (7) Beginning January 1, 2023, in addition to all other
16 requirements under this act, both of the following apply in a city,
17 township, or village that became a local governmental unit pursuant
18 to the amendatory act that added this subsection:

19 (a) A local governmental unit may designate a neighborhood
20 enterprise zone only if the local governmental unit determines that
21 both of the following are met:

22 (i) The designation encourages compact development and the
23 neighborhood enterprise zone contains 5 or more existing
24 residential units per acre at the time of designation.

25 (ii) The neighborhood enterprise zone is adjacent to existing
26 development, can utilize existing infrastructure, and has access to
27 municipal water and sewer services on at least 1 frontage.

28 (b) Notwithstanding section 9, for that part of a facility
29 that in the prior year was occupied by an individual, couple,



1 family, or group of unrelated individuals with a combined adjusted
2 household income in excess of 120% of the countywide area median
3 income as posted by the Michigan state housing development
4 authority on its website, the specific tax paid in lieu of taxes
5 for the year must be equal to the full amount of the taxes that
6 would be paid on that portion of the facility if the facility were
7 not tax exempt.

8 (8) As used in this section, "adjusted household income" means
9 that term as defined in R 125.101 of the Michigan Administrative
10 Code.

11 Sec. 6. Not later than 60 days after receipt of an approved
12 application for a homestead facility or a rehabilitated facility,
13 and not later than 30 days, or if an approved application is
14 received after ~~October 31~~, **June 15**, not later than 45 days after
15 receipt of an approved application for a new facility, the
16 qualified assessing authority shall determine whether the homestead
17 facility, new facility, or rehabilitated facility complies with the
18 requirements of this act. If the qualified assessing authority
19 finds compliance, the qualified assessing authority shall issue a
20 neighborhood enterprise zone certificate to the applicant and send
21 a certified copy of the certificate to each affected taxing unit.
22 The assessor shall keep the certificate filed on record in his or
23 her office. The qualified assessing authority shall maintain a
24 record of all certificates filed. Notice of the qualified assessing
25 authority's refusal to issue a certificate shall be sent by
26 certified mail to the same persons.

27 Sec. 10. (1) Except as provided in subsections (2) and (3),
28 the effective date of the neighborhood enterprise zone certificate
29 is December 31 in the year in which the new facility or



1 rehabilitated facility is substantially completed and, for a new
 2 facility, occupied by an owner as a principal residence, as
 3 evidenced by the owner filing with the assessor of the local
 4 assessing unit all of the following:

5 (a) For a new facility, a certificate of occupancy.

6 (b) For a rehabilitated facility, a certificate that the
 7 improvements meet minimum local building code standards issued by
 8 the local building inspector or other authorized officer or a
 9 certificate of occupancy if required by local building permits or
 10 building codes.

11 (c) For a rehabilitated facility, documentation proving the
 12 cost requirements of section 2(m) are met.

13 (d) For a homestead facility or a new facility, **except for a**
 14 **new facility described in section 2(g)(ii)**, an affidavit executed by
 15 an owner affirming that the homestead facility or new facility is
 16 occupied by an owner as a principal residence.

17 (2) If a new facility is substantially completed in a year but
 18 is not occupied by an owner as a principal residence until the
 19 following year, upon the request of the owner, the effective date
 20 of the neighborhood enterprise zone certificate shall be December
 21 31 in the year immediately preceding the date of occupancy by the
 22 owner as a principal residence.

23 (3) Upon the request of the owner, the effective date of the
 24 neighborhood enterprise zone certificate for a rehabilitated
 25 facility shall be December 31 in the year immediately preceding the
 26 date on which the rehabilitated facility is substantially
 27 completed.

