

# HOUSE BILL No. 5906

March 23, 2006, Introduced by Rep. Marleau and referred to the Committee on Local Government and Urban Policy.

A bill to authorize local units of government to levy a tax for the purpose of operating and maintaining storm water utility systems.

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

1           Sec. 1. As used in this act:

2           (a) "Local unit of government" means a county, city, village,  
3 or township.

4           (b) "Storm water utility system" means storm sewers, retention  
5 basins, and all other appurtenances and attachments necessary to  
6 the system.

7           Sec. 2. (1) A local unit of government may establish a storm  
8 water utility system. If approved by a majority of the qualified  
9 electors of that local unit of government voting on the proposal at  
10 a regular or special election, the local unit of government may

1 levy a tax to pay for capital, operating, and maintenance costs of  
2 a storm water utility system. The tax shall not exceed 5 mills on  
3 the taxable value of all taxable property in the local unit of  
4 government and shall be levied and collected under the general  
5 property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.1 to 211.157.

6 (2) The tax levied under this act shall be in addition to any  
7 statutory or charter tax rate limitation.