HOUSE BILL No. 5401

October 31, 2007, Introduced by Rep. Gillard and referred to the Committee on Tax Policy.

A bill to amend 2007 PA 36, entitled

"Michigan business tax act,"

by amending section 201 (MCL 208.1201), as amended by 2007 PA 90; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 201. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this act, there
- 2 is levied and imposed a business income tax on every taxpayer with
- 3 business activity within-IN this state unless prohibited by 15 USC
- 4 381 to 384. The business income tax is imposed on the business
- 5 income tax base, after allocation or apportionment to this state,
- 6 at the rate of 4.95%.
- 7 (2) The business income tax base means a taxpayer's business
 - income subject to the following adjustments, before allocation or
- apportionment, and the adjustment in subsection (5) after

- 1 allocation or apportionment:
- 2 (a) Add interest income and dividends derived from obligations
- 3 or securities of states A STATE other than this state, in the same
- 4 amount that was excluded from federal taxable income, less the
- 5 related portion of expenses not deducted in computing federal
- 6 taxable income because of sections 265 and 291 of the internal
- 7 revenue code.
- 8 (b) Add all taxes on or measured by net income and the tax
- 9 imposed under this act to the extent the taxes were deducted in
- 10 arriving at federal taxable income.
- 11 (c) Add any carryback or carryover of a net operating loss to
- 12 the extent deducted in arriving at federal taxable income.
- 13 (d) To the extent included in federal taxable income, deduct
- 14 dividends and royalties received from ENTITIES OR persons other
- 15 than United States persons and foreign operating entities,
- 16 including, but not limited to, amounts determined under section 78
- 17 of the internal revenue code or sections 951 to 964 of the internal
- 18 revenue code.
- 19 (e) To the extent included in federal taxable income, add the
- 20 loss or subtract the income from the business income tax base that
- 21 is attributable to another entity OR PERSON whose business
- 22 activities are taxable under this section or would be subject to
- 23 the tax under this section if the business activities were in this
- 24 state.
- 25 (f) Except as otherwise provided under this subdivision, to
- 26 the extent deducted in arriving at federal taxable income, add any
- 27 royalty, interest, or other expense paid to a—AN ENTITY OR person

- 1 related to the taxpayer by ownership or control for the use of an
- 2 intangible asset if the person is not included in the taxpayer's
- 3 unitary business group. The addition of any royalty, interest, or
- 4 other expense described under this subdivision is not required to
- 5 be added if the taxpayer can demonstrate that the transaction has a
- 6 nontax business purpose other than avoidance of this tax, is
- 7 conducted with arm's-length pricing and rates and terms as applied
- 8 in accordance with sections 482 and 1274(d) of the internal revenue
- 9 code, and satisfies 1 of the following:
- 10 (i) Is a pass through of another transaction between a third
- 11 party and the related person with comparable rates and terms.
- 12 (ii) Results in double taxation. For purposes of this
- 13 subparagraph, double taxation exists if the transaction is subject
- 14 to tax in another jurisdiction.
- 15 (iii) Is unreasonable as determined by the treasurer, and the
- 16 taxpayer agrees that the addition would be unreasonable based on
- 17 the taxpayer's facts and circumstances.
- 18 (g) To the extent included in federal taxable income, deduct
- 19 interest income derived from United States obligations.
- 20 (h) To the extent included in federal taxable income, deduct
- 21 any earnings that are net earnings from self-employment as defined
- 22 under section 1402 of the internal revenue code of the taxpayer or
- 23 a partner or limited liability company member of the taxpayer
- 24 except to the extent that those net earnings represent a reasonable
- 25 return on capital.
- (i) Subject to the limitation provided under this subdivision,
- 27 if the book-tax differences for the first fiscal period ending

- 1 after July 12, 2007 result in a deferred liability for a person
- 2 subject to tax under this act, deduct the following percentages of
- 3 the total book-tax difference for each qualifying asset, for each
- 4 of the successive 15 tax years beginning with the 2015 tax year:
- 5 (i) For the 2015 through 2019 tax years, 4%.
- 6 (ii) For the 2020 through 2024 tax years, 6%.
- 7 (iii) For the 2025 through 2029 tax years, 10%.
- 8 (3) The deduction under subsection (2)(i) shall not exceed the
- 9 amount necessary to offset the net deferred tax liability of the
- 10 taxpayer as computed in accordance with generally accepted
- 11 accounting principles which would otherwise result from the
- 12 imposition of the business income tax under this section and the
- 13 modified gross receipts tax under section 203 if the deduction
- 14 provided under this subdivision were not allowed. For purposes of
- 15 the calculation of the deduction under subsection (2)(i), a book-
- 16 tax difference shall only be used once in the calculation of the
- 17 deduction arising from the taxpayer's business income tax base
- 18 under this section and once in the calculation of the deduction
- 19 arising from the taxpayer's modified gross receipts tax base under
- 20 section 203. The adjustment under subsection (2)(i) shall be
- 21 calculated without regard to the federal effect of the deduction.
- 22 If the adjustment under subsection (2)(i) is greater than the
- 23 taxpayer's business income tax base, any adjustment that is unused
- 24 may be carried forward and applied as an adjustment to the
- 25 taxpayer's business income tax base before apportionment in future
- 26 years. In order to claim this deduction, the department may require
- 27 the taxpayer to report the amount of this deduction on a form as

- 1 prescribed by the department that is to be filed on or after the
- 2 date that the first quarterly return and estimated payment are due
- 3 under this act. As used in subsection (2)(i) and this subsection:
- 4 (a) "Book-tax difference" means the difference, if any,
- 5 between the person's qualifying asset's net book value shown on the
- 6 person's books and records for the first fiscal period ending after
- 7 July 12, 2007 and the qualifying asset's tax basis on that same
- 8 date.
- 9 (b) "Qualifying asset" means any asset shown on the person's
- 10 books and records for the first fiscal period ending after July 12,
- 11 2007, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.
- 12 (4) For purposes of subsections (2) and (3), the business
- income of a unitary business group is the sum of the business
- 14 income of each ENTITY OR person, other than a foreign operating
- 15 entity or a person subject to the tax imposed under chapter 2A or
- 16 2B, included in the unitary business group less any items of income
- 17 and related deductions arising from transactions including
- 18 dividends between persons included in the unitary business group.
- 19 (5) Deduct any available business loss incurred after December
- 20 31, 2007. As used in this subsection, "business loss" means a
- 21 negative business income taxable amount after allocation or
- 22 apportionment. The business loss shall be carried forward to the
- 23 year immediately succeeding the loss year as an offset to the
- 24 allocated or apportioned business income tax base, then
- 25 successively to the next 9 taxable years following the loss year or
- 26 until the loss is used up, whichever occurs first, but for not more
- 27 than 10 taxable years after the loss year.

- 1 Enacting section 1. Section 6a of the use tax act, 1937 PA 94,
- 2 MCL 205.96a, is repealed effective December 31, 2010.
- 3 Enacting section 2. This amendatory act takes effect January
- 4 1, 2008 and applies to all business activity occurring after
- 5 December 31, 2007.
- 6 Enacting section 3. This amendatory act does not take effect
- 7 unless all of the following bills of the 94th Legislature are
- 8 enacted into law:
- 9 (a) Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. 5402(request no.
- **10** 05499'07 *).
- 11 (b) Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. 5403 (request no.
- **12** 05500'07 *).
- 13 (c) Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. 5404(request no.
- **14** 05501'07 *).
- 15 (d) Senate Bill No. or House Bill No. 5405 (request no.
- **16** 05502'07 *).
- (e) Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. 5406(request no.
- **18** 05503'07 *).

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