

Act No. 153
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**STATE OF MICHIGAN
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Introduced by Reps. Spade and Mayes

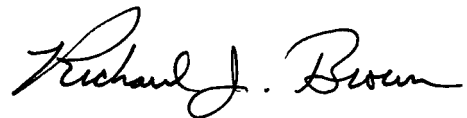
ENROLLED HOUSE BILL No. 4650

AN ACT to amend 1984 PA 34, entitled "An act to establish a low income heating assistance and shut-off protection program; to promote conservation of home heating energy; to coordinate weatherization programs; and to prescribe certain duties of certain state agencies," (MCL 400.1201 to 400.1217) by adding section 7a.

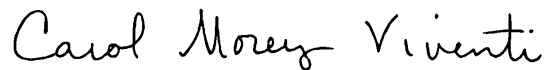
The People of the State of Michigan enact:

Sec. 7a. Not later than April 1, 2010 or at a time considered possible by the department, the department shall operate an electronic payment process with participating energy providers to provide for the payment of low income customer energy bills that are subject to shutoff. The department, as it considers appropriate, shall enter into agreements with energy providers in which the energy provider agrees to permit the department to make direct payments to the energy provider on behalf of an eligible recipient. The agreement shall authorize the energy provider to provide customer information to the department. The department shall determine the eligible recipients, program requirements, benefit levels, and funding levels.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.



Clerk of the House of Representatives



Secretary of the Senate

Approved

Governor