## HOUSE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 113

A bill to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled "The general property tax act,"

by amending section 27a (MCL 211.27a), as amended by 2014 PA 310.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 27a. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section,
- 2 property shall be assessed at 50% of its true cash value under
- 3 section 3 of article IX of the state constitution of 1963.
- 4 (2) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (3), for taxes
- 5 levied in 1995 and for each year after 1995, the taxable value of
- 6 each parcel of property is the lesser of the following:
- 7 (a) The property's taxable value in the immediately preceding
- 8 year minus any losses, multiplied by the lesser of 1.05 or the
- 9 inflation rate, plus all additions. For taxes levied in 1995, the

- 1 property's taxable value in the immediately preceding year is the
- 2 property's state equalized valuation in 1994.
- 3 (b) The property's current state equalized valuation.
- 4 (3) Upon a transfer of ownership of property after 1994, the
- 5 property's taxable value for the calendar year following the year
- 6 of the transfer is the property's state equalized valuation for the
- 7 calendar year following the transfer.
- **8** (4) If the taxable value of property is adjusted under
- 9 subsection (3), a subsequent increase in the property's taxable
- value is subject to the limitation set forth in subsection (2)
- 11 until a subsequent transfer of ownership occurs. If the taxable
- value of property is adjusted under subsection (3) and the assessor
- 13 determines that there had not been a transfer of ownership, the
- 14 taxable value of the property shall be adjusted at the July or
- 15 December board of review. Notwithstanding the limitation provided
- in section 53b(1) on the number of years for which a correction may
- 17 be made, the July or December board of review may adjust the
- 18 taxable value of property under this subsection for the current
- 19 year and for the 3 immediately preceding calendar years. A
- 20 corrected tax bill shall be issued for each tax year for which the
- 21 taxable value is adjusted by the local tax collecting unit if the
- 22 local tax collecting unit has possession of the tax roll or by the
- 23 county treasurer if the county has possession of the tax roll. For
- 24 purposes of section 53b, an adjustment under this subsection shall
- 25 be considered the correction of a clerical error.
- 26 (5) Assessment of property, as required in this section and
- 27 section 27, is inapplicable to the assessment of property subject

- 1 to the levy of ad valorem taxes within voted tax limitation
- 2 increases to pay principal and interest on limited tax bonds issued
- 3 by any governmental unit, including a county, township, community
- 4 college district, or school district, before January 1, 1964, if
- 5 the assessment required to be made under this act would be less
- 6 than the assessment as state equalized prevailing on the property
- 7 at the time of the issuance of the bonds. This inapplicability
- 8 shall continue until levy of taxes to pay principal and interest on
- 9 the bonds is no longer required. The assessment of property
- 10 required by this act shall be applicable for all other purposes.
- 11 (6) As used in this act, "transfer of ownership" means the
- 12 conveyance of title to or a present interest in property, including
- 13 the beneficial use of the property, the value of which is
- 14 substantially equal to the value of the fee interest. Transfer of
- 15 ownership of property includes, but is not limited to, the
- 16 following:
- 17 (a) A conveyance by deed.
- 18 (b) A conveyance by land contract. The taxable value of
- 19 property conveyed by a land contract executed after December 31,
- 20 1994 shall be adjusted under subsection (3) for the calendar year
- 21 following the year in which the contract is entered into and shall
- 22 not be subsequently adjusted under subsection (3) when the deed
- 23 conveying title to the property is recorded in the office of the
- 24 register of deeds in the county in which the property is located.
- 25 (c) A conveyance to a trust after December 31, 1994, except
- 26 under any of the following conditions:
- (i) If the settlor or the settlor's spouse, or both, conveys

- 1 the property to the trust and the sole present beneficiary or
- 2 beneficiaries are the settlor or the settlor's spouse, or both.
- 3 (ii) Beginning December 31, 2014, for residential real
- 4 property, if the settlor or the settlor's spouse, or both, conveys
- 5 the residential real property to the trust and the sole present
- 6 beneficiary or beneficiaries are the settlor's or the settlor's
- 7 spouse's mother, father, brother, sister, son, daughter, adopted
- 8 son, adopted daughter, grandson, or granddaughter and the
- 9 residential real property is not used for any commercial purpose
- 10 following the conveyance. Upon request by the department of
- 11 treasury or the assessor, the sole present beneficiary or
- 12 beneficiaries shall furnish proof within 30 days that the sole
- 13 present beneficiary or beneficiaries meet the requirements of this
- 14 subparagraph. If a present beneficiary fails to comply with a
- 15 request by the department of treasury or assessor under this
- 16 subparagraph, that present beneficiary is subject to a fine of
- **17** \$200.00.
- 18 (d) A conveyance by distribution from a trust, except under
- 19 any of the following conditions:
- 20 (i) If the distributee is the sole present beneficiary or the
- 21 spouse of the sole present beneficiary, or both.
- 22 (ii) Beginning December 31, 2014, a distribution of residential
- 23 real property if the distributee is the settlor's or the settlor's
- 24 spouse's mother, father, brother, sister, son, daughter, adopted
- 25 son, adopted daughter, grandson, or granddaughter and the
- 26 residential real property is not used for any commercial purpose
- 27 following the conveyance. Upon request by the department of

- 1 treasury or the assessor, the sole present beneficiary or
- 2 beneficiaries shall furnish proof within 30 days that the sole
- 3 present beneficiary or beneficiaries meet the requirements of this
- 4 subparagraph. If a present beneficiary fails to comply with a
- 5 request by the department of treasury or assessor under this
- 6 subparagraph, that present beneficiary is subject to a fine of
- **7** \$200.00.
- 8 (e) A change in the sole present beneficiary or beneficiaries
- 9 of a trust, except under any of the following conditions:
- 10 (i) A change that adds or substitutes the spouse of the sole
- 11 present beneficiary.
- 12 (ii) Beginning December 31, 2014, for residential real
- 13 property, a change that adds or substitutes the settlor's or the
- 14 settlor's spouse's mother, father, brother, sister, son, daughter,
- 15 adopted son, adopted daughter, grandson, or granddaughter and the
- 16 residential real property is not used for any commercial purpose
- 17 following the conveyance. Upon request by the department of
- 18 treasury or the assessor, the sole present beneficiary or
- 19 beneficiaries shall furnish proof within 30 days that the sole
- 20 present beneficiary or beneficiaries meet the requirements of this
- 21 subparagraph. If a present beneficiary fails to comply with a
- 22 request by the department of treasury or assessor under this
- 23 subparagraph, that present beneficiary is subject to a fine of
- **24** \$200.00.
- 25 (f) A conveyance by distribution under a will or by intestate
- 26 succession, except under any of the following conditions:
- (i) If the distributee is the decedent's spouse.

- 1 (ii) Beginning December 31, 2014, for residential real
- 2 property, if the distributee is the decedent's or the decedent's
- 3 spouse's mother, father, brother, sister, son, daughter, adopted
- 4 son, adopted daughter, grandson, or granddaughter and the
- 5 residential real property is not used for any commercial purpose
- 6 following the conveyance. Upon request by the department of
- 7 treasury or the assessor, the sole present beneficiary or
- 8 beneficiaries shall furnish proof within 30 days that the sole
- 9 present beneficiary or beneficiaries meet the requirements of this
- 10 subparagraph. If a present beneficiary fails to comply with a
- 11 request by the department of treasury or assessor under this
- 12 subparagraph, that present beneficiary is subject to a fine of
- **13** \$200.00.
- 14 (g) A conveyance by lease if the total duration of the lease,
- 15 including the initial term and all options for renewal, is more
- 16 than 35 years or the lease grants the lessee a bargain purchase
- 17 option. As used in this subdivision, "bargain purchase option"
- 18 means the right to purchase the property at the termination of the
- 19 lease for not more than 80% of the property's projected true cash
- 20 value at the termination of the lease. After December 31, 1994, the
- 21 taxable value of property conveyed by a lease with a total duration
- 22 of more than 35 years or with a bargain purchase option shall be
- 23 adjusted under subsection (3) for the calendar year following the
- 24 year in which the lease is entered into. This subdivision does not
- 25 apply to personal property except buildings described in section
- 26 14(6) and personal property described in section 8(h), (i), and
- 27 (j). This subdivision does not apply to that portion of the

- 1 property not subject to the leasehold interest conveyed.
- 2 (h) Except as otherwise provided in this subdivision, a
- 3 conveyance of an ownership interest in a corporation, partnership,
- 4 sole proprietorship, limited liability company, limited liability
- 5 partnership, or other legal entity if the ownership interest
- 6 conveyed is more than 50% of the corporation, partnership, sole
- 7 proprietorship, limited liability company, limited liability
- 8 partnership, or other legal entity. Unless notification is provided
- 9 under subsection (10), the corporation, partnership, sole
- 10 proprietorship, limited liability company, limited liability
- 11 partnership, or other legal entity shall notify the assessing
- 12 officer on a form provided by the state tax commission not more
- 13 than 45 days after a conveyance of an ownership interest that
- 14 constitutes a transfer of ownership under this subdivision. Both of
- 15 the following apply to a corporation subject to 1897 PA 230, MCL
- **16** 455.1 to 455.24:
- 17 (i) A transfer of stock of the corporation is a transfer of
- 18 ownership only with respect to the real property that is assessed
- 19 to the transferor lessee stockholder.
- 20 (ii) A cumulative conveyance of more than 50% of the
- 21 corporation's stock does not constitute a transfer of ownership of
- 22 the corporation's real property.
- 23 (i) A transfer of property held as a tenancy in common, except
- 24 that portion of the property not subject to the ownership interest
- 25 conveyed.
- 26 (j) A conveyance of an ownership interest in a cooperative
- 27 housing corporation, except that portion of the property not

- 1 subject to the ownership interest conveyed.
- 2 (7) Transfer of ownership does not include the following:
- 3 (a) The transfer of property from 1 spouse to the other spouse
- 4 or from a decedent to a surviving spouse.
- 5 (b) A transfer from a husband, a wife, or a husband and wife
- 6 creating or disjoining a tenancy by the entireties in the grantors
- 7 or the grantor and his or her spouse.
- 8 (c) A transfer of that portion of property subject to a life
- 9 estate or life lease retained by the transferor, until expiration
- 10 or termination of the life estate or life lease. That portion of
- 11 property transferred that is not subject to a life lease shall be
- 12 adjusted under subsection (3).
- 13 (d) A transfer through foreclosure or forfeiture of a recorded
- 14 instrument under chapter 31, 32, or 57 of the revised judicature
- 15 act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3101 to 600.3285 and MCL 600.5701
- 16 to 600.5759, or through deed or conveyance in lieu of a foreclosure
- 17 or forfeiture, until the mortgagee or land contract vendor
- 18 subsequently transfers the property. If a mortgagee does not
- 19 transfer the property within 1 year of the expiration of any
- 20 applicable redemption period, the property shall be adjusted under
- 21 subsection (3).
- 22 (e) A transfer by redemption by the person to whom taxes are
- 23 assessed of property previously sold for delinquent taxes.
- 24 (f) A conveyance to a trust if the settlor or the settlor's
- 25 spouse, or both, conveys the property to the trust and any of the
- 26 following conditions are satisfied:
- (i) If the sole present beneficiary of the trust is the settlor

- 1 or the settlor's spouse, or both.
- 2 (ii) Beginning December 31, 2014, for residential real
- 3 property, if the sole present beneficiary of the trust is the
- 4 settlor's or the settlor's spouse's mother, father, brother,
- 5 sister, son, daughter, adopted son, adopted daughter, grandson, or
- 6 granddaughter and the residential real property is not used for any
- 7 commercial purpose following the conveyance. Upon request by the
- 8 department of treasury or the assessor, the sole present
- 9 beneficiary or beneficiaries shall furnish proof within 30 days
- 10 that the sole present beneficiary or beneficiaries meet the
- 11 requirements of this subparagraph. If a present beneficiary fails
- 12 to comply with a request by the department of treasury or assessor
- 13 under this subparagraph, that present beneficiary is subject to a
- 14 fine of \$200.00.
- 15 (g) A transfer pursuant to a judgment or order of a court of
- 16 record making or ordering a transfer, unless a specific monetary
- 17 consideration is specified or ordered by the court for the
- 18 transfer.
- 19 (h) A transfer creating or terminating a joint tenancy between
- 20 2 or more persons if at least 1 of the persons was an original
- 21 owner of the property before the joint tenancy was initially
- 22 created and, if the property is held as a joint tenancy at the time
- 23 of conveyance, at least 1 of the persons was a joint tenant when
- 24 the joint tenancy was initially created and that person has
- 25 remained a joint tenant since the joint tenancy was initially
- 26 created. A joint owner at the time of the last transfer of
- 27 ownership of the property is an original owner of the property. For

- 1 purposes of this subdivision, a person is an original owner of
- 2 property owned by that person's spouse.
- 3 (i) A transfer for security or an assignment or discharge of a
- 4 security interest.
- 5 (j) A transfer of real property or other ownership interests
- 6 among members of an affiliated group. As used in this subsection,
- 7 "affiliated group" means 1 or more corporations connected by stock
- 8 ownership to a common parent corporation. Upon request by the state
- 9 tax commission, a corporation shall furnish proof within 45 days
- 10 that a transfer meets the requirements of this subdivision. A
- 11 corporation that fails to comply with a request by the state tax
- 12 commission under this subdivision is subject to a fine of \$200.00.
- 13 (k) Normal public trading of shares of stock or other
- 14 ownership interests that, over any period of time, cumulatively
- 15 represent more than 50% of the total ownership interest in a
- 16 corporation or other legal entity and are traded in multiple
- 17 transactions involving unrelated individuals, institutions, or
- 18 other legal entities.
- 19 (l) A transfer of real property or other ownership interests
- 20 among corporations, partnerships, limited liability companies,
- 21 limited liability partnerships, or other legal entities if the
- 22 entities involved are commonly controlled. Upon request by the
- 23 state tax commission, a corporation, partnership, limited liability
- 24 company, limited liability partnership, or other legal entity shall
- 25 furnish proof within 45 days that a transfer meets the requirements
- 26 of this subdivision. A corporation, partnership, limited liability
- 27 company, limited liability partnership, or other legal entity that

- 1 fails to comply with a request by the state tax commission under
- 2 this subdivision is subject to a fine of \$200.00.
- 3 (m) A direct or indirect transfer of real property or other
- 4 ownership interests resulting from a transaction that qualifies as
- 5 a tax-free reorganization under section 368 of the internal revenue
- 6 code, 26 USC 368. Upon request by the state tax commission, a
- 7 property owner shall furnish proof within 45 days that a transfer
- 8 meets the requirements of this subdivision. A property owner who
- 9 fails to comply with a request by the state tax commission under
- 10 this subdivision is subject to a fine of \$200.00.
- 11 (n) A transfer of qualified agricultural property, if the
- 12 person to whom the qualified agricultural property is transferred
- 13 files an affidavit with the assessor of the local tax collecting
- 14 unit in which the qualified agricultural property is located and
- 15 with the register of deeds for the county in which the qualified
- 16 agricultural property is located attesting that the qualified
- 17 agricultural property shall remain qualified agricultural property.
- 18 The affidavit under this subdivision shall be in a form prescribed
- 19 by the department of treasury. An owner of qualified agricultural
- 20 property shall inform a prospective buyer of that qualified
- 21 agricultural property that the qualified agricultural property is
- 22 subject to the recapture tax provided in the agricultural property
- 23 recapture act, 2000 PA 261, MCL 211.1001 to 211.1007, if the
- 24 qualified agricultural property is converted by a change in use, as
- 25 that term is defined in section 2 of the agricultural property
- 26 recapture act, 2000 PA 261, MCL 211.1002. If property ceases to be
- 27 qualified agricultural property at any time after being

- 1 transferred, all of the following shall occur:
- 2 (i) The taxable value of that property shall be adjusted under
- 3 subsection (3) as of the December 31 in the year that the property
- 4 ceases to be qualified agricultural property.
- 5 (ii) The property is subject to the recapture tax provided for
- 6 under the agricultural property recapture act, 2000 PA 261, MCL
- 7 211.1001 to 211.1007.
- 8 (o) A transfer of qualified forest property, if the person to
- 9 whom the qualified forest property is transferred files a qualified
- 10 forest taxable value affidavit with the assessor of the local tax
- 11 collecting unit in which the qualified forest property is located
- 12 and with the register of deeds for the county in which the
- 13 qualified forest property is located attesting that the qualified
- 14 forest property shall remain qualified forest property. The
- 15 qualified forest taxable value affidavit under this subdivision
- 16 shall be in a form prescribed by the department of agriculture and
- 17 rural development. The qualified forest taxable value affidavit
- 18 shall include a legal description of the qualified forest property,
- 19 the name of the new property owner, the year the transfer of the
- 20 property occurred, a statement indicating that the property owner
- 21 is attesting that the property for which the exemption is claimed
- 22 is qualified forest property and will be managed according to the
- 23 approved forest management plan, and any other information
- 24 pertinent to the parcel and the property owner. The property owner
- 25 shall provide a copy of the qualified forest taxable value
- 26 affidavit to the department. The department shall provide 1 copy of
- 27 the qualified forest taxable value affidavit to the local tax

- 1 collecting unit, 1 copy to the conservation district, and 1 copy to
- 2 the department of treasury. These copies may be sent
- 3 electronically. The exception to the recognition of a transfer of
- 4 ownership, as herein stated, shall extend to the land only of the
- 5 qualified forest property. If qualified forest property is improved
- 6 by buildings, structures, or land improvements, then those
- 7 improvements shall be recognized as a transfer of ownership, in
- 8 accordance with the provisions of section 7jj[1]. An owner of
- 9 qualified forest property shall inform a prospective buyer of that
- 10 qualified forest property that the qualified forest property is
- 11 subject to the recapture tax provided in the qualified forest
- 12 property recapture tax act, 2006 PA 379, MCL 211.1031 to 211.1036,
- 13 if the qualified forest property is converted by a change in use,
- 14 as that term is defined in section 2 of the qualified forest
- property recapture tax act, 2006 PA 379, MCL 211.1032. If property
- 16 ceases to be qualified forest property at any time after being
- 17 transferred, all of the following shall occur:
- (i) The taxable value of that property shall be adjusted under
- 19 subsection (3) as of the December 31 in the year that the property
- 20 ceases to be qualified forest property, except to the extent that
- 21 the transfer of the qualified forest property would not have been
- 22 considered a transfer of ownership under this subsection.
- 23 (ii) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (iii), the
- 24 property is subject to the recapture tax provided for under the
- 25 qualified forest property recapture tax act, 2006 PA 379, MCL
- 26 211.1031 to 211.1036.
- 27 (iii) Beginning June 1, 2013 and ending November 30, 2013,

- 1 owners of property enrolled as qualified forest property prior to
- 2 January 1, 2013 may execute a new qualified forest taxable value
- 3 affidavit with the department of agriculture and rural development.
- 4 If a landowner elects to execute a qualified forest taxable value
- 5 affidavit, that owner is not required to pay the \$50.00 fee
- 6 required under section 7jj[1](2). If a landowner elects not to
- 7 execute a qualified forest taxable value affidavit, the existing
- 8 affidavit shall be rescinded, without subjecting the property to
- 9 the recapture tax provided for under the qualified forest property
- 10 recapture tax act, 2006 PA 379, MCL 211.1031 to 211.1036, and the
- 11 taxable value of that property shall be adjusted under subsection
- **12** (3).
- 13 (p) Beginning on December 8, 2006, a transfer of land, but not
- 14 buildings or structures located on the land, which meets 1 or more
- 15 of the following requirements:
- 16 (i) The land is subject to a conservation easement under
- 17 subpart 11 of part 21 of the natural resources and environmental
- 18 protection act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.2140 to 324.2144. As used in
- 19 this subparagraph, "conservation easement" means that term as
- 20 defined in section 2140 of the natural resources and environmental
- 21 protection act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.2140.
- 22 (ii) A transfer of ownership of the land or a transfer of an
- 23 interest in the land is eligible for a deduction as a qualified
- 24 conservation contribution under section 170(h) of the internal
- 25 revenue code, 26 USC 170.
- 26 (q) A transfer of real property or other ownership interests
- 27 resulting from a consolidation or merger of a domestic nonprofit

- 1 corporation that is a boy or girl scout or camp fire girls
- 2 organization, a 4-H club or foundation, a young men's Christian
- 3 association, or a young women's Christian association and at least
- 4 50% of the members of that organization or association are
- 5 residents of this state.
- 6 (r) A change to the assessment roll or tax roll resulting from
- 7 the application of section 16a of 1897 PA 230, MCL 455.16a.
- 8 (s) Beginning December 31, 2013 through December 30, 2014, a
- 9 transfer of residential real property if the transferee is related
- 10 to the transferor by blood or affinity to the first degree and the
- 11 use of the residential real property does not change following the
- 12 transfer.
- 13 (t) Beginning December 31, 2014, a transfer of residential
- 14 real property if the transferee is the transferor's or the
- 15 transferor's spouse's mother, father, brother, sister, son,
- 16 daughter, adopted son, adopted daughter, grandson, or granddaughter
- 17 and the residential real property is not used for any commercial
- 18 purpose following the conveyance. Upon request by the department of
- 19 treasury or the assessor, the transferee shall furnish proof within
- 20 30 days that the transferee meets the requirements of this
- 21 subparagraph. SUBDIVISION. If a transferee fails to comply with a
- 22 request by the department of treasury or assessor under this
- 23 subparagraph, SUBDIVISION, that transferee is subject to a fine of
- **24** \$200.00.
- 25 (u) Beginning December 31, 2014, for residential real
- 26 property, a conveyance from a trust if the person to whom the
- 27 residential real property is conveyed is the settlor's or the

- 1 settlor's spouse's mother, father, brother, sister, son, daughter,
- 2 adopted son, adopted daughter, grandson, or granddaughter and the
- 3 residential real property is not used for any commercial purpose
- 4 following the conveyance. Upon request by the department of
- 5 treasury or the assessor, the sole present beneficiary or
- 6 beneficiaries shall furnish proof within 30 days that the sole
- 7 present beneficiary or beneficiaries meet the requirements of this
- 8 subparagraph. SUBDIVISION. If a present beneficiary fails to comply
- 9 with a request by the department of treasury or assessor under this
- 10 subparagraph, SUBDIVISION, that present beneficiary is subject to a
- 11 fine of \$200.00.
- 12 (V) BEGINNING ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE AMENDATORY ACT THAT
- 13 ADDED THIS SUBDIVISION, A CONVEYANCE OF LAND BY DISTRIBUTION UNDER
- 14 A WILL OR TRUST OR BY INTESTATE SUCCESSION, BUT NOT BUILDINGS OR
- 15 STRUCTURES LOCATED ON THE LAND, WHICH MEETS 1 OR MORE OF THE
- 16 FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:
- 17 (i) THE LAND IS MADE SUBJECT TO A CONSERVATION EASEMENT UNDER
- 18 SUBPART 11 OF PART 21 OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL
- 19 PROTECTION ACT, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.2140 TO 324.2144, PRIOR TO THE
- 20 CONVEYANCE BY DISTRIBUTION UNDER A WILL OR TRUST OR BY INTESTATE
- 21 SUCCESSION. AS USED IN THIS SUBPARAGRAPH, "CONSERVATION EASEMENT"
- 22 MEANS THAT TERM AS DEFINED IN SECTION 2140 OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES
- 23 AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.2140.
- 24 (ii) THE LAND OR AN INTEREST IN THE LAND IS MADE ELIGIBLE FOR A
- 25 DEDUCTION AS A QUALIFIED CONSERVATION CONTRIBUTION UNDER SECTION
- 26 170(H) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, 26 USC 170, PRIOR TO THE
- 27 CONVEYANCE BY DISTRIBUTION UNDER A WILL OR TRUST OR BY INTESTATE

## 1 SUCCESSION.

- 2 (8) If all of the following conditions are satisfied, the
- 3 local tax collecting unit shall revise the taxable value of
- 4 qualified agricultural property taxable on the tax roll in the
- 5 possession of that local tax collecting unit to the taxable value
- 6 that qualified agricultural property would have had if there had
- 7 been no transfer of ownership of that qualified agricultural
- 8 property since December 31, 1999 and there had been no adjustment
- 9 of that qualified agricultural property's taxable value under
- 10 subsection (3) since December 31, 1999:
- 11 (a) The qualified agricultural property was qualified
- 12 agricultural property for taxes levied in 1999 and each year after
- **13** 1999.
- 14 (b) The owner of the qualified agricultural property files an
- 15 affidavit with the assessor of the local tax collecting unit under
- **16** subsection (7)(n).
- 17 (9) If the taxable value of qualified agricultural property is
- 18 adjusted under subsection (8), the owner of that qualified
- 19 agricultural property shall not be entitled to a refund for any
- 20 property taxes collected under this act on that qualified
- 21 agricultural property before the adjustment under subsection (8).
- 22 (10) The register of deeds of the county where deeds or other
- 23 title documents are recorded shall notify the assessing officer of
- 24 the appropriate local taxing unit not less than once each month of
- 25 any recorded transaction involving the ownership of property and
- 26 shall make any recorded deeds or other title documents available to
- 27 that county's tax or equalization department. Unless notification

- 1 is provided under subsection (6), the buyer, grantee, or other
- 2 transferee of the property shall notify the appropriate assessing
- 3 office in the local unit of government in which the property is
- 4 located of the transfer of ownership of the property within 45 days
- 5 of the transfer of ownership, on a form prescribed by the state tax
- 6 commission that states the parties to the transfer, the date of the
- 7 transfer, the actual consideration for the transfer, and the
- 8 property's parcel identification number or legal description. Forms
- 9 filed in the assessing office of a local unit of government under
- 10 this subsection shall be made available to the county tax or
- 11 equalization department for the county in which that local unit of
- 12 government is located. This subsection does not apply to personal
- 13 property except buildings described in section 14(6) and personal
- 14 property described in section 8(h), (i), and (j).
- 15 (11) As used in this section:
- 16 (a) "Additions" means that term as defined in section 34d.
- 17 (b) "Beneficial use" means the right to possession, use, and
- 18 enjoyment of property, limited only by encumbrances, easements, and
- 19 restrictions of record.
- (c) "Inflation rate" means that term as defined in section
- **21** 34d.
- 22 (d) "Losses" means that term as defined in section 34d.
- 23 (e) "Qualified agricultural property" means that term as
- 24 defined in section 7dd.
- (f) "Qualified forest property" means that term as defined in
- **26** section 7jj[1].
- 27 (g) "Residential real property" means real property classified

1 as residential real property under section 34c.