

**SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
HOUSE BILL NO. 4746**

A bill to amend 2006 PA 110, entitled  
"Michigan zoning enabling act,"  
by amending section 205 (MCL 125.3205).

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

1       Sec. 205. (1) ~~An ordinance adopted under this act~~ **A ZONING**  
2 **ORDINANCE** is subject to the electric transmission line  
3 certification act, 1995 PA 30, MCL 460.561 to 460.575.

4       (2) A county or township shall not regulate or control the  
5 drilling, completion, or operation of oil or gas wells or other  
6 wells drilled for oil or gas exploration purposes and shall not  
7 have jurisdiction with reference to the issuance of permits for the  
8 location, drilling, completion, operation, or abandonment of such  
9 wells.



1 (3) AN ORDINANCE SHALL NOT PREVENT THE EXTRACTION, BY MINING,  
2 OF VALUABLE NATURAL RESOURCES FROM ANY PROPERTY UNLESS VERY SERIOUS  
3 CONSEQUENCES WOULD RESULT FROM THE EXTRACTION OF THOSE NATURAL  
4 RESOURCES. NATURAL RESOURCES SHALL BE CONSIDERED VALUABLE FOR THE  
5 PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION IF A PERSON, BY EXTRACTING THE NATURAL  
6 RESOURCES, CAN RECEIVE REVENUE AND REASONABLY EXPECT TO OPERATE AT  
7 A PROFIT.

8 (4) A PERSON CHALLENGING A ZONING DECISION UNDER SUBSECTION  
9 (3) HAS THE INITIAL BURDEN OF SHOWING THAT THERE ARE VALUABLE  
10 NATURAL RESOURCES LOCATED ON THE RELEVANT PROPERTY, THAT THERE IS A  
11 NEED FOR THE NATURAL RESOURCES BY THE PERSON OR IN THE MARKET  
12 SERVED BY THE PERSON, AND THAT NO VERY SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES WOULD  
13 RESULT FROM THE EXTRACTION, BY MINING, OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES.

14 (5) IN DETERMINING UNDER THIS SECTION WHETHER VERY SERIOUS  
15 CONSEQUENCES WOULD RESULT FROM THE EXTRACTION, BY MINING, OF  
16 NATURAL RESOURCES, THE STANDARDS SET FORTH IN SILVA V ADA TOWNSHIP,  
17 416 MICH 153 (1982), SHALL BE APPLIED AND ALL OF THE FOLLOWING  
18 FACTORS SHALL BE CONSIDERED:

19 (A) THE RELATIONSHIP OF EXTRACTION AND ASSOCIATED ACTIVITIES  
20 WITH EXISTING LAND USES.

21 (B) THE IMPACT ON EXISTING LAND USES IN THE VICINITY OF THE  
22 PROPERTY.

23 (C) THE IMPACT ON PROPERTY VALUES IN THE VICINITY OF THE  
24 PROPERTY AND ALONG THE PROPOSED HAULING ROUTE SERVING THE PROPERTY.

25 (D) THE IMPACT ON PEDESTRIAN AND TRAFFIC SAFETY IN THE  
26 VICINITY OF THE PROPERTY AND ALONG THE PROPOSED HAULING ROUTE  
27 SERVING THE PROPERTY.



1 (E) THE IMPACT ON OTHER IDENTIFIABLE HEALTH, SAFETY, AND  
2 WELFARE INTERESTS IN THE LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT.

3 (F) THE OVERALL PUBLIC INTEREST IN THE EXTRACTION OF THE  
4 SPECIFIC NATURAL RESOURCES ON THE PROPERTY.

5 (6) SUBSECTIONS (3) TO (5) DO NOT LIMIT A LOCAL UNIT OF  
6 GOVERNMENT'S REASONABLE REGULATION OF EXTRACTION AND ASSOCIATED  
7 ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING HOURS OF OPERATION, BLASTING HOURS, NOISE  
8 LEVELS, DUST CONTROL MEASURES, AND TRAFFIC. HOWEVER, SUCH  
9 REGULATION SHALL BE REASONABLE IN ACCOMMODATING CUSTOMARY MINING  
10 OPERATIONS.

11 (7) THIS ACT DOES NOT LIMIT STATE REGULATORY AUTHORITY UNDER  
12 OTHER STATUTES OR RULES.

