



# HOUSE BILL No. 5461

December 6, 1995, Introduced by Reps. Munsell and Brewer and referred to the Committee on Local Government.

A bill to amend Act No. 279 of the Public Acts of 1909, entitled as amended "The home rule city act," as amended, being sections 117.1 to 117.38 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, by adding section 5j.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Section 1. Act No. 279 of the Public Acts of 1909, as  
2 amended, being sections 117.1 to 117.38 of the Michigan Compiled  
3 Laws, is amended by adding section 5j to read as follows:

4 SEC. 5J. (1) WHETHER OR NOT AUTHORIZED BY ITS CHARTER, A  
5 CITY MAY BY ORDINANCE PROVIDE A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT PROCEDURE TO  
6 FINANCE THE BURYING OF AN EXISTING OVERHEAD UTILITY LINE. THE  
7 ORDINANCE SHALL REQUIRE PETITIONS SIGNED BY THE RECORD OWNERS OF  
8 NOT LESS THAN 51% OF THE LAND COMPRISING THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT

1 DISTRICT TO INITIATE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT  
2 DISTRICT.

3 (2) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "UTILITY LINE" MEANS AN ELEC-  
4 TRIC, CABLE TELEVISION, TELEPHONE, OR OTHER UTILITY LINE OF A  
5 MUNICIPALLY-OWNED OR INVESTOR-OWNED UTILITY.