## **SENATE BILL No. 656**

August 13, 2003, Introduced by Senators SWITALSKI, PATTERSON, CLARKE, JACOBS, BERNERO, CLARK-COLEMAN, BASHAM, PRUSI, BRATER, THOMAS, OLSHOVE, BARCIA, SCHAUER, BROWN, CROPSEY, CASSIS, GARCIA, STAMAS, TOY, GILBERT, BISHOP and HARDIMAN and referred to the Committee on Economic Development, Small Business and Regulatory Reform.

A bill to amend 1993 PA 92, entitled "Seller disclosure act,"

by amending section 7 (MCL 565.957), as amended by 2000 PA 13.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 7. (1) The disclosures required by this act shall be
- 2 made on the following form:

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## SELLER'S DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

## Street Street City, Village, or Township Purpose of Statement: This statement is a disclosure of the condition of the property in compliance with the seller

- disclosure act. This statement is a disclosure of the condition
- 11 and information concerning the property, known by the seller.

- 1 Unless otherwise advised, the seller does not possess any
- 2 expertise in construction, architecture, engineering, or any
- 3 other specific area related to the construction or condition of
- 4 the improvements on the property or the land. Also, unless
- 5 otherwise advised, the seller has not conducted any inspection of
- 6 generally inaccessible areas such as the foundation or roof.
- 7 This statement is not a warranty of any kind by the seller or by
- 8 any agent representing the seller in this transaction, and is not
- 9 a substitute for any inspections or warranties the buyer may wish
- 10 to obtain.
- 11 Seller's Disclosure: The seller discloses the following
- 12 information with the knowledge that even though this is not a
- 13 warranty, the seller specifically makes the following
- 14 representations based on the seller's knowledge at the signing of
- 15 this document. Upon receiving this statement from the seller,
- 16 the seller's agent is required to provide a copy to the buyer or
- 17 the agent of the buyer. The seller authorizes its agent(s) to
- 18 provide a copy of this statement to any prospective buyer in
- 19 connection with any actual or anticipated sale of property. The
- 20 following are representations made solely by the seller and are
- 21 not the representations of the seller's agent(s), if any. This
- 22 information is a disclosure only and is not intended to be a part
- 23 of any contract between buyer and seller.
- 24 Instructions to the Se<u>ller:</u> (1) Answer ALL questions. (2) Report
- 25 known conditions affecting the property. (3) Attach additional
- 26 pages with your signature if additional space is required. (4)
- 27 Complete this form yourself. (5) If some items do not apply to

- 1 your property, check NOT AVAILABLE. If you do not know the
- 2 facts, check UNKNOWN. FAILURE TO PROVIDE A PURCHASER WITH A
- 3 SIGNED DISCLOSURE STATEMENT WILL ENABLE A PURCHASER TO TERMINATE
- 4 AN OTHERWISE BINDING PURCHASE AGREEMENT.
- 5 Appliances/Systems/Services: The items below are in working order
- 6 (the items below are included in the sale of the property only if
- 7 the purchase agreement so provides):

8		Yes	No	Unknown	Not
9					Avail
10					able
11	Range/Oven				
12	Dishwasher				
13	Refrigerator				
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14	Hood/fan				
15	Disposal				
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16	TV antenna, TV rotor & controls				
17	Electrical system				
18	Garage door opener & remote control				

1	Alarm system	 	
2	Intercom	 	
3	Central vacuum	 	
4	Attic fan	 	
5	Pool heater, wall liner & equipment	 	
6	Microwave	 	
7	Trash compactor	 	
8	Ceiling fan	 	
9	Sauna/hot tub	 	
LO	Washer	 	
L1	Dryer	 	
L2	Lawn sprinkler system	 	
L3	Water heater	 	
L <b>4</b>	Plumbing system	 	

1	Water softener/conditioner	 	 
2	Well & pump	 	 
3	Septic tank & drain field	 	 
4	Sump pump	 	 
5	City Water System	 	 
6	City Sewer System	 	 
7	Central air conditioning	 	 
8	Central heating system	 	 
9	Wall furnace	 	 
10	Humidifier	 	
11	Electronic air filter	 	 
12	Solar heating system	 	 
13	Fireplace & chimney	 	 
1 4	Wood burning system		

1	Exp	lanations (attach additional sheets if necessary):	
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7	UNL	ESS OTHERWISE AGREED, ALL HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES ARE	SOLD IN
8	WOR	KING ORDER EXCEPT AS NOTED, WITHOUT WARRANTY BEYON	D DATE OF
9	CLO	SING.	
10	Pro	perty conditions, improvements & additional inform	ation:
11	1.	Basement/Crawl Space: Has there been evidence of	water?
12			yes no
13		If yes, please explain:	
14	2.	Insulation: Describe, if known	
15		Urea Formaldehyde Foam Insulation (UFFI) is insta	lled?
16		unknown	yes no
17	3.	Roof: Leaks?	yes _ no
18		Approximate age if known	
19	4.	Well: Type of well (depth/diameter, age, and repa	ir history,
20		if known):	- '
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21		Has the water been tested?	es no
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22		If yes, date of last report/results:	

1	<u>5.</u>	Septic tanks/drain fields: Condition, if known:
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3	6.	Heating System: Type/approximate age:
4	7	<pre>Plumbing system: Type: copper galvanized other</pre>
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5		Any known problems?
6	8.	Electrical system: Any known problems?
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8	9.	History of infestation, if any: (termites, carpenter ants,
8 9	9.	<pre>History of infestation, if any: etc.)</pre> <pre>(termites, carpenter ants,</pre>
	9.	
9		etc.)
9		Environmental Problems: Are you aware of any substances,
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1	11. Flood Insurance: Do you have flood insurance on the
2	property?
3	unknown yes no
4	12. Mineral Rights: Do you own the mineral rights?
5	unknown yes no
6	Other Items: Are you aware of any of the following:
7	1. Features of the property shared in common with the adjoining
8	landowners, such as walls, fences, roads and driveways, or other
9	features whose use or responsibility for maintenance may have an
10	effect on the property?
11	unknown yes no
12	2. Any encroachments, easements, zoning violations, or
13	nonconforming uses?
14	unknown yes no
15	3. Any "common areas" (facilities like pools, tennis courts,
16	walkways, or other areas co-owned with others), or a homeowners'
17	association that has any authority over the property?
18	unknown yes no
19	4. Structural modifications, alterations, or repairs made
20	without necessary permits or licensed contractors?
21	unknown yes no
22	5. Settling, flooding, drainage, structural, or grading
23	problems?
24	unknown yes no
25	6. Major damage to the property from fire, wind, floods, or
26	landslides?

1	unknown yes no
2	7. Any underground storage tanks?
3	unknown yes no
4	8. Farm or farm operation in the vicinity; or proximity to a
5	landfill, airport, shooting range, etc.?
6	unknown yes no
7	9. Any outstanding utility assessments or fees, including any
8	natural gas main extension surcharge?
9	unknown yes no
10	10. Any outstanding municipal assessments or fees?
11	unknown yes no
12	11. Any pending litigation that could affect the property or the
13	seller's right to convey the property?
14	unknown yes no
15	If the answer to any of these questions is yes, please explain.
16	Attach additional sheets, if necessary:
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21	The seller has lived in the residence on the property from
22	(date) to (date). The seller has owned
23	the property since (date). The seller has indicated
24	above the condition of all the items based on information known
25	to the seller. If any changes occur in the
26	structural/mechanical/appliance systems of this property from the
27	date of this form to the date of closing, seller will immediately

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- 2 hold the broker liable for any representations not directly made
- 3 by the broker or broker's agent.
- 4 Seller certifies that the information in this statement is true
- 5 and correct to the best of seller's knowledge as of the date of
- 6 seller's signature.
- 7 BUYER SHOULD OBTAIN PROFESSIONAL
- 8 ADVICE AND INSPECTIONS OF THE
- 9 PROPERTY TO MORE FULLY DETERMINE THE
- 10 CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY.
- 11 BUYERS ARE ADVISED THAT CERTAIN
- 12 INFORMATION COMPILED PURSUANT TO THE
- 13 SEX OFFENDERS REGISTRATION ACT, 1994
- 14 PA 295, MCL 28.721 TO 28.732, IS
- 15 AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC. BUYERS
- 16 SEEKING THAT INFORMATION SHOULD
- 17 CONTACT THE APPROPRIATE LOCAL LAW
- 18 ENFORCEMENT AGENCY OR SHERIFF'S
- 19 DEPARTMENT DIRECTLY.
- 20 BUYER IS ADVISED THAT THE STATE
- 21 EQUALIZED VALUE OF THE PROPERTY,
- 22 HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION INFORMATION, AND
- 23 OTHER REAL PROPERTY TAX INFORMATION
- 24 IS AVAILABLE FROM THE APPROPRIATE
- 25 LOCAL ASSESSOR'S OFFICE. —BUYER

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15	SellerDate
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17	Buyer has read and acknowledges receipt of this statement.
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17 18	Buyer has read and acknowledges receipt of this statement.  BuyerDateTime:
17 18 19	Buyer has read and acknowledges receipt of this statement.  Buyer Date Time:  Buyer Date Time:

- 1 time may be utilized and shall be considered in compliance with
- 2 this section until 90 days after the effective date of the -2000
- 3 2003 amendatory act that amended this subsection.

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