

Act No. 590
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**STATE OF MICHIGAN
92ND LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION OF 2004**

Introduced by Reps. Pappageorge, Voorhees, Garfield, Amos, Van Regenmorter, Hoogendyk, O'Neil, Farrah, Plakas, Woodward, Gielegem, DeRoche, Hune, Accavitti, Farhat, Vander Veen, Hart, LaJoy and Walker

ENROLLED HOUSE BILL No. 6295

AN ACT to amend 1967 PA 288, entitled "An act to regulate the division of land; to promote the public health, safety, and general welfare; to further the orderly layout and use of land; to require that the land be suitable for building sites and public improvements and that there be adequate drainage of the land; to provide for proper ingress and egress to lots and parcels; to promote proper surveying and monumenting of land subdivided and conveyed by accurate legal descriptions; to provide for the approvals to be obtained prior to the recording and filing of plats and other land divisions; to provide for the establishment of special assessment districts and for the imposition of special assessments to defray the cost of the operation and maintenance of retention basins for land within a final plat; to establish the procedure for vacating, correcting, and revising plats; to control residential building development within floodplain areas; to provide for reserving easements for utilities in vacated streets and alleys; to provide for the filing of amended plats; to provide for the making of assessors plats; to provide penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act; to repeal certain parts of this act on specific dates; and to repeal acts and parts of acts," by amending section 222 (MCL 560.222) and by adding section 222a.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

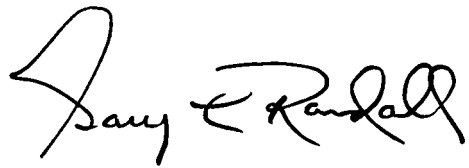
Sec. 222. Except as provided in section 222a, to vacate, correct, or revise a recorded plat or any part of a recorded plat, a complaint shall be filed in the circuit court by the owner of a lot in the subdivision, a person of record claiming under the owner, or the governing body of the municipality in which the subdivision covered by the plat is located.

Sec. 222a. (1) Notwithstanding section 222, a public utility easement that is part of a recorded plat may be relinquished without filing an action in circuit court if a written agreement for that purpose is entered into among all of the following parties:

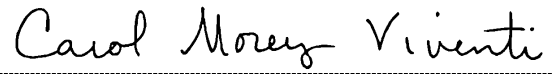
- (a) Each public utility or municipal entity that has the right to use the recorded easement.
- (b) The owner or owners of record of each platted lot or parcel of land subject to the easement.
- (c) A two-thirds majority of the owners of record of each platted lot or parcel of land within 300 feet of any part of the recorded easement.
- (d) The governing board of the municipality in which the subdivision covered by the plat is located.

(2) An agreement described in subsection (1) shall meet all applicable requirements for recordation and is effective upon being recorded with the register of deeds and filed with the department of labor and economic growth. The register of deeds and the department of labor and economic growth shall cross-reference the document to the affected plat.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.



Clerk of the House of Representatives



Secretary of the Senate

Approved

Governor