HOUSE BILL No. 4249

February 9, 2005, Introduced by Reps. Pastor and Kahn and referred to the Committee on Tax Policy.

A bill to amend 1941 PA 122, entitled

"An act to establish the revenue collection duties of the department of treasury; to prescribe its powers and duties as the revenue collection agency of the state; to prescribe certain powers and duties of the state treasurer; to regulate the importation, stamping, and disposition of certain tobacco products; to provide for the transfer of powers and duties now vested in certain other state boards, commissions, departments and offices; to prescribe certain duties of and require certain reports from the department of treasury; to provide procedures for the payment, administration, audit, assessment, levy of interests or penalties on, and appeals of taxes and tax liability; to prescribe its powers and duties if an agreement to act as agent for a city to administer, collect, and enforce the city income tax act on behalf of a city is entered into with any city; to provide an appropriation; to abolish the state board of tax administration; to prescribe penalties and provide remedies; and to declare the effect of this act,"

by amending section 30 (MCL 205.30), amended by 1993 PA 14.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 30. (1) The department shall credit or refund an

overpayment of taxes; taxes, penalties, and interest erroneously

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- 1 assessed and collected; and taxes, penalties, and interest that are
- 2 found unjustly assessed, excessive in amount, or wrongfully
- 3 collected with interest at the rate calculated under section 23 for
- 4 deficiencies in tax payments.
- 5 (2) A taxpayer who paid a tax that the taxpayer claims is not
- 6 due may petition the department for refund of the amount paid
- 7 within the time period specified as the statute of limitations in
- 8 section 27a. If a tax return reflects an overpayment or credits in
- 9 excess of the tax, the declaration of that fact on the return
- 10 constitutes a claim for refund. If the department agrees the claim
- 11 is valid, the amount of overpayment, penalties, and interest shall
- 12 be first applied to any known liability as provided in section 30a,
- 13 and the excess, if any, shall be refunded to the taxpayer or
- 14 credited, at the taxpayer's request, against any current or
- 15 subsequent tax liability.
- 16 (3) The department shall certify a refund to the state
- 17 disbursing authority who shall pay the amount out of the proceeds
- 18 of the tax in accordance with the accounting laws of the state.
- 19 Interest at the rate calculated under section 23 for deficiencies
- 20 in tax payments shall be added to the refund commencing 45 days
- 21 after the claim is filed. or 45 days after the date established by
- 22 law for the filing of the return, whichever is later. Interest on
- 23 refunds intercepted and applied as provided in section 30a shall
- 24 cease as of the date of interception. Refunds for amounts of less
- 25 than \$1.00 shall not be paid.