NONRECOURSE MORTGAGE LOAN ACT

Act 67 of 2012

AN ACT to regulate the use and enforceability of certain loan covenants in nonrecourse commercial loan transactions in this state.

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The People of the State of Michigan enact:

445.1591 Short title.

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445.1592 Definitions.

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445.1593 Post closing solvency covenant; prohibited use.

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445.1594 Loan documents not containing nonrecourse loan provisions; use.

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445.1595 Enforcement and interpretation of existing nonrecourse loan documents.

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