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Michigan House of Representatives
Michigan Senate
State Capitol Building
Lansing, Michigan 48913

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Today I am returning to you unsigned House Bill 6485.

The bill would exclude certain production costs from the adjustment required by law to ensure income taxed by the state severance tax was excluded from the Income Tax. The bill would narrow the expenses required to be added back after they had been deducted at the federal level. This would result in some expenses being deducted twice at the state level.

The tax reforms I worked with our legislative partners on in 2011 sought to eliminate tax deductions or loopholes that resulted in unfair benefit for some taxpayers. This bill would run contrary to that objective.

I appreciate the fact that over the eight years in which I was governor, my Administration worked closely with our legislative partners to craft sound public policy. However, I do not believe that this particular legislation reflects the priorities I have worked towards, and therefore, I am returning House Bill 6485 to you today without my approval.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Rick Snyder', written over a light gray circular background.

Rick Snyder
Governor