

HOUSE BILL NO. 5275

November 12, 2025, Introduced by Reps. Miller, T. Carter, Brixie, Paiz, Dievendorf, Wilson, MacDonell, Arbit, Wooden, Xiong, Skaggs, Neeley, Mentzer, Byrnes, B. Carter, O'Neal, Price, Morgan, Longjohn, McKinney, Tate, Koleszar, Weiss, Tsernoglou, Steckloff, Glanville, Witwer, Andrews, McFall and Breen and referred to Committee on Government Operations.

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled
"Income tax act of 1967,"
by amending sections 506 and 520 (MCL 206.506 and 206.520), section
506 as amended by 1996 PA 484 and section 520 as amended by 2015 PA
179.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 506. (1) "Disabled veteran" means that term as defined
- 2 under section 7b of the general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL
- 3 211.7b.
- 4 (2) "Eligible serviceperson", "eligible veteran", and

"eligible widow or widower" means a serviceperson, veteran, or widow or widower, whose ~~income as defined in this chapter is~~ **total household resources are** not more than \$7,500.00 per year unless the serviceperson, veteran, or widow or widower receives compensation paid by the ~~veterans administration or the armed forces~~ **United States Department of Veterans Affairs or the Armed Forces** of the United States for service incurred disabilities and who meets the requirements of the following schedule:

War	Person	Service in War	Disability %	Taxable Value Allowance
Indian	Veteran or	3 months, or	No	\$3,500.00
Civil	veteran's widow	1 day with	requirement	
Spanish-	or widower	discharge		
American		for service-		
Mexican		connected		
		disability		
World War I	Widow or widower	3 months, or	No	\$2,500.00
World War II	of nondisabled or	1 day with	requirement	
Korean	nonpensioned	discharge		
	veteran	for service-		
		connected		
		disability		
All wars or	Pensioned veteran	Any	No	\$3,500.00
presidential	or veteran's		requirement	
executive	widow or widower			
order or				
presidential				
proclamation				

1	All wars or	Veteran with	Any	10-50	\$3,500.00
2	presidential	service-connected			
3	executive	disability or			
4	order or	veteran's widow			
5	presidential	or widower			
6	proclamation				
7	All wars or	Veteran with	Any	60-70-80	\$4,000.00
8	presidential	service-connected			
9	executive	disability or			
10	order or	veteran's widow			
11	presidential	or widower			
12	proclamation				
13	All wars or	Veteran with	Any	90-100	\$4,500.00
14	presidential	service-connected			
15	executive	disability or			
16	order or	veteran's widow			
17	presidential	or widower			
18	proclamation				
19	All wars or	Widow or widower	Any	No	\$4,500.00
20	presidential	of veteran dying		requirement	
21	executive	in service			
22	order or				
23	presidential				
24	proclamation				
25	Current	Serviceperson or	Any	No	\$3,500.00
26	service	serviceperson's		requirement	
27		widow or widower			

28 Sec. 520. (1) Subject to the limitations and the definitions
 29 in this chapter, a claimant may claim against the tax due under

1 this part for the tax year a credit for the property taxes on the
 2 taxpayer's homestead deductible for federal income tax purposes
 3 ~~pursuant to~~ **under** section 164 of the internal revenue code, or that
 4 would have been deductible if the claimant had not elected the zero
 5 bracket amount or if the claimant had been subject to the federal
 6 income tax. The property taxes used for the credit computation
 7 ~~shall~~ **must** not be greater than the amount levied for 1 tax year. An
 8 owner is not eligible for a credit under this section if the
 9 taxable value of ~~his or her~~ **the owner's** homestead excluding the
 10 portion of a parcel of real property that is unoccupied and
 11 classified as agricultural for ad valorem tax purposes in the year
 12 for which the credit is claimed is greater than ~~\$135,000.00~~
 13 **\$165,400.00** through the ~~2021~~ **2025** tax year. Beginning with the ~~2021~~
 14 **2026** tax year and each tax year after ~~2021,~~ **2026**, the taxable value
 15 cap under this subsection for the immediately preceding tax year
 16 ~~shall~~ **must** be adjusted by the percentage increase in the United
 17 States ~~consumer price index~~ **Consumer Price Index** for the
 18 immediately preceding calendar year and rounded to the nearest
 19 \$100.00 increment. The department shall annualize the amount in
 20 this subsection as necessary. As used in this subsection, "taxable
 21 value" means that value determined under section 27a of the general
 22 property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.27a.

23 (2) A ~~person~~ **claimant** who rents or leases a homestead may
 24 claim a similar credit computed under this section and section 522
 25 based upon ~~20% of the gross rent paid for tax years before the 2018~~
 26 ~~tax year or 23% of the gross rent paid. for tax years after the~~
 27 ~~2017 tax year. A person~~ **Except as otherwise provide under section**
 28 **522(1)(f), a claimant** who rents or leases a homestead subject to a
 29 service charge in lieu of ad valorem taxes as provided by section

1 15a of the state housing development authority act of 1966, 1966 PA
2 346, MCL 125.1415a, may claim a similar credit computed under this
3 section and section 522 based upon 10% of the gross rent paid.

4 (3) If the credit claimed under this section and section 522
5 exceeds the tax liability for the tax year or if there is no tax
6 liability for the tax year, the amount of the claim not used as an
7 offset against the tax liability ~~shall~~**must**, after examination and
8 review, be approved for payment, without interest, to the claimant.
9 In determining the amount of the payment under this subsection,
10 withholdings and other credits ~~shall~~**must** be used first to offset
11 any tax liabilities.

12 (4) If the homestead is an integral part of a multipurpose or
13 multidwelling building that is federally aided housing or state
14 aided housing, a claimant who is a senior citizen entitled to a
15 payment under subsection (2) may assign the right to that payment
16 to a mortgagor if the mortgagor reduces the rent charged and
17 collected on the claimant's homestead in an amount equal to the tax
18 credit payment provided in this chapter. The assignment of the
19 claim is valid only if the Michigan state housing development
20 authority, by affidavit, verifies that the claimant's rent has been
21 so reduced.

22 (5) Only the renter or lessee shall claim a credit on property
23 that is rented or leased as a homestead.

24 (6) A person who discriminates in the charging or collection
25 of rent on a homestead by increasing the rent charged or collected
26 because the renter or lessee claims and receives a credit or
27 payment under this chapter is guilty of a misdemeanor.

28 Discrimination against a renter who claims and receives the credit
29 under this section and section 522 by a reduction of the rent on

1 the homestead of a person who does not claim and receive the credit
 2 is a misdemeanor. If discriminatory rents are charged or collected,
 3 each charge or collection of the higher or lower payment is a
 4 separate offense. Each acceptance of a payment of rent is a
 5 separate offense.

6 (7) A ~~person~~**claimant** who received aid to families with
 7 dependent children, state family assistance, or state disability
 8 assistance ~~pursuant to~~**under** the social welfare act, 1939 PA 280,
 9 MCL 400.1 to 400.119b, in the tax year for which the ~~person~~
 10 **claimant** is filing a return ~~shall have~~**has** a credit that is
 11 authorized and computed under this section and section 522 reduced
 12 by an amount equal to the product of the claimant's credit
 13 multiplied by the quotient of the sum of the claimant's aid to
 14 families with dependent children, state family assistance, and
 15 state disability assistance for the tax year divided by the
 16 claimant's total household resources. The reduction of credit ~~shall~~
 17 **must** not exceed the sum of the aid to families with dependent
 18 children, state family assistance, and state disability assistance
 19 for the tax year. For the purposes of this subsection, aid to
 20 families with dependent children does not include child support
 21 payments that offset or reduce payments made to the claimant.

22 (8) ~~For tax years before the 2018 tax year, a credit under~~
 23 ~~subsection (1) or (2) shall be reduced by 10% for each claimant~~
 24 ~~whose total household resources exceed the minimum total household~~
 25 ~~resources amount of \$41,000.00 and by an additional 10% for each~~
 26 ~~increment of \$1,000.00 of total household resources in excess of~~
 27 ~~\$41,000.00. Except as otherwise provided under this subsection, for~~
 28 ~~the 2018~~**2025** tax year and each tax year after 2018,**2025**, the
 29 minimum total household resources amount is ~~\$51,000.00. For the~~

~~2018 tax year and each tax year after 2018, a \$62,500.00. A credit~~
 under subsection (1) or (2) ~~shall~~**must** be reduced by 10% for each
 claimant whose total household resources exceed the minimum total
 household resources amount established under this subsection and by
 an additional 10% for each increment of \$1,000.00 of total
 household resources in excess of the minimum total household
 resources amount for that tax year. For the ~~2021~~**2026** tax year and
 each tax year after ~~2021~~**2026**, the minimum total household
 resources threshold amount established under this subsection for
 the immediately preceding tax year ~~shall~~**must** be adjusted by the
 percentage increase in the United States ~~consumer price index~~
Consumer Price Index for the immediately preceding calendar year
 and rounded to the nearest \$100.00 increment.

(9) If the credit authorized and calculated under this section
 and section 522 and adjusted under subsection (7) or (8) does not
 provide to a senior citizen who rents or leases a homestead that
 amount attributable to rent that constitutes more than 40% of the
 total household resources of the senior citizen, the senior citizen
 may claim a credit based upon the amount of total household
 resources attributable to rent as provided by this section.

(10) A senior citizen whose gross rent paid for the tax year
 is more than the percentage of total household resources specified
 in subsection (9) for the respective tax year may claim a credit
 for the amount of rent paid that constitutes more than the
 percentage of the total household resources of the senior citizen
 specified in subsection (9) and that was not provided to the senior
 citizen by the credit computed ~~pursuant to~~**under** this section and
 section 522 and adjusted ~~pursuant to~~**under** subsection (7) or (8).

(11) The department may promulgate rules to implement

subsections (9) to (15) and may prescribe a table to allow a claimant to determine the credit provided under this section and section 522 in the instruction booklet that accompanies the respective income tax or property tax credit forms used by claimants.

(12) A senior citizen may claim the credit under subsections (9) to (15) on the same form as the property tax credit permitted by subsection (2). The department shall adjust the forms accordingly.

(13) A senior citizen who moves to a different rented or leased homestead shall determine, for 2 tax years after the move, both ~~his or her~~ **the senior citizen's** qualification to claim a credit under subsections (9) to (15) and the amount of a credit under subsections (9) to (15) on the basis of the annualized final monthly rental payment at ~~his or her~~ **the senior citizen's** previous homestead, if this annualized rental is less than the senior citizen's actual annual rental payments.

(14) For a return of less than 12 months, the claim for a credit under subsections (9) to (15) ~~shall~~ **must** be reduced proportionately.

(15) ~~For tax years before the 2018 tax year, the total credit allowed by this section and section 522 shall not exceed \$1,200.00 per year.~~ Except as otherwise provided under this subsection, for the ~~2018~~ **2025** tax year and each tax year after ~~2018~~, **2025**, the total credit allowed by this section and section 522 ~~shall~~ **must** not exceed ~~\$1,500.00~~ **\$1,900.00** per year. Beginning with the ~~2021~~ **2026** tax year and each tax year after ~~2021~~, **2026**, the maximum amount of the credit allowed under this section and section 522 for the immediately preceding tax year ~~shall~~ **must** be adjusted by the

1 percentage increase in the United States ~~consumer price index~~
2 **Consumer Price Index** for the immediately preceding calendar year.
3 The department shall round the amount to the nearest \$100.00
4 increment. **The maximum amount of the credit allowed under this**
5 **section does not apply to a credit authorized and calculated under**
6 **section 522(1) (f) .**

7 (16) As used in this section, "United States ~~consumer price~~
8 ~~index~~" **Consumer Price Index**" means the United States ~~consumer price~~
9 ~~index~~ **Consumer Price Index** for all urban consumers as defined and
10 reported by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor
11 Statistics.

12 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
13 unless Senate Bill No. ____ (request no. S01992'25) or House Bill
14 No. 5272 (request no. H01992'25) of the 103rd Legislature is
15 enacted into law.