**Synopsis of Michigan Renewable Energy Legislation**
**2011-2012 Pending or Passed Legislation[1]**

**Renewable Energy Standards**

• HB 5447 – http://legislature.mi.gov/doc.aspx?2012-HB-5447 A bill repealing Section 27 of 2008 PA 295 while amending Section 47. Sponsor: Franz.

**Property Tax Incentive**

• SB 0327 – http://legislature.mi.gov/doc.aspx?2011-SB-0327 A bill modifying the definitions of photovoltaic and wind energy systems. Sponsor: Schuitmaker.

• SB 0328 – http://legislature.mi.gov/doc.aspx?2011-SB-0328 A bill to revise property tax exemptions and classifications and restrict the classification of certain real property. Sponsor: Schuitmaker.

• SB 0329 – http://legislature.mi.gov/doc.aspx?2011-SB-0329 A bill modifying the definition of wind energy system. Sponsor: Schuitmaker.

• SB 0391 – http://legislature.mi.gov/doc.aspx?2011-SB-0391 A bill to amend wind energy system classification to real property. Sponsor: Green.

• HB 4104 – http://legislature.mi.gov/doc.aspx?2011-HB-4104 A series of bills eliminating personal property tax, creating a personal property specific tax and exempting alternative energy systems (some with exceptions and for a limited time) from this new tax. Tie Bar with HB 4102 and HB 4103. Sponsor: Meadows.

• HB 5278 – http://legislature.mi.gov/doc.aspx?2012-HB-5278 A bill to exempt alternative commercial energy systems from certain property taxes. Tie Bar with HB 5279. Sponsor: Damrow.

• HB 5279 – http://legislature.mi.gov/doc.aspx?2012-HB-5279 A bill to exempt commercial energy systems from certain property taxes and to create an alternative commercial energy specific tax. Tie Bar with HB 5278. Sponsor: Damrow.

**Income Tax Incentive**

• HB 4285 – http://legislature.mi.gov/doc.aspx?2011-HB-4285 A bill providing for an income tax credit for the purchase and installation of renewable energy equipment when residential customer participates in net metering. Sponsor: Rendon.

• HB 4286 – http://legislature.mi.gov/doc.aspx?2011-HB-4286 A bill providing for a business tax credit for the purchase and installation of renewable energy equipment and interconnection costs when customer participates in net metering. Sponsor: Rendon.

**Off-Shore Wind**

• HB 4499 – http://legislature.mi.gov/doc.aspx?2011-HB-4499 A bill prohibiting entering into lease or deed or permitting off-shore wind development including research equipment, turbines and transmission lines. Sponsor: Franz.

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[1]Guide compiled by K. Trachsel of Michigan Public Service Commission Staff. Legislation that has passed into Michigan law is identified here with a Public Act (PA) number, following the Senate Bill (SB) or House Bill (HB) number. Check for additional legislation for the 2011-2012 session by searching bills by category for "energy" and "public utilities," at: http://www.legislature.mi.gov/(S(hnpa5f554byrtkbdchgrr355))/mileg.aspx?page=Category Search.

**County Government**

• SB 0763 – http://legislature.mi.gov/doc.aspx?2011-SB-0763 A bill expanding the powers of a county department of public works to include acquiring or establishing renewable energy systems. Sponsor: Jansen.