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**TO:** Assessors  
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**FROM:** State Tax Commission

**SUBJECT:** Changes to Law Governing Meeting Dates of March Board of Review

Public Act (PA) 194 of 2003 was signed by Governor Granholm on November 7, 2003 with an effective date of November 10, 2003. This law amends Michigan Compiled Law 211.30 by allowing a city or township to authorize an alternative starting date for the second meeting of the March Board of Review. You may access the law on the Internet at [www.michiganlegislature.org](http://www.michiganlegislature.org). Click on "Bills" on the left side of the page and then enter 4211 in the box labeled "Bill Number".

**In the past**, MCL 211.30 required that the second meeting of the March Board of Review shall occur only on the second Monday in March.

**PA 194 of 2003 provides** that the governing body of a city or township may authorize an alternative starting date for the second meeting of the March Board of Review. The alternative starting date can be either the Tuesday or the Wednesday following the second Monday in March.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** If a governing body of a city or township decides to authorize an alternative starting date for the second meeting of the March Board of Review, the law requires that the authorization be done by adoption of an ordinance or resolution.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** The change in the law discussed in this bulletin does not affect Cities with charters which specify date(s) for the March Board of Review different from the dates allowable under MCL 211.30. Cities with charters which already specify different date(s) for the March Board of Review **DO NOT** need to also adopt an ordinance or resolution authorizing these same alternate date(s) for the second meeting of the March Board of Review.