

SENATE BILL No. 293

January 28, 1993, Introduced by Senator BOUCHARD and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to provide for access to the law enforcement information network by law enforcement agencies under certain circumstances; to provide for the confidentiality and disclosure of certain records and other information; and to provide for civil remedies.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the
- 2 "law enforcement information network access act".
- 3 Sec. 2. As used in this act:
- 4 (a) "Administration of criminal justice" means the per-
- 5 formance of any of the following activities:
- 6 (i) Detection, apprehension, detention, pretrial release,
- 7 posttrial release, prosecution, adjudication, correctional
- 8 supervision, or rehabilitation of accused persons or criminal
- 9 offenders.

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- 1 (ii) Identification of criminals.
- 2 (iii) Collection, storage, and dissemination of criminal
- 3 history record information.
- 4 (b) "Law enforcement agency" means either of the following:
- 5 (i) The police agency of a city, village, or township.
- 6 (ii) The sheriff's department of a county.
- 7 (c) "Local unit of government" means a city, village, town-
- 8 ship, or county.
- 9 (d) "Person" means an individual, partnership, corporation,
- 10 association, governmental entity, or other legal entity.
- 11 Sec. 3. An official of a local unit of government who is
- 12 required by an ordinance or a written administrative policy of
- 13 the local unit of government to obtain the driving record for an
- 14 individual or to determine whether there are any warrants for the
- 15 arrest of an individual before the local unit of government
- 16 employs the individual or a person by whom the individual is
- 17 employed, or issues a new or renewal license to the individual or
- 18 a person by whom the individual is employed, may request that the
- 19 law enforcement agency of the local unit of government obtain the
- 20 driving record of the individual or warrant information concern-
- 21 ing the individual, as applicable, for the official through the
- 22 law enforcement information network.
- 23 Sec. 5. An official of a local unit of government who is
- 24 required by an ordinance of the local unit of government to
- 25 determine whether an individual was convicted of any criminal
- 26 offenses before the local unit of government employs the
- 27 individual or a person by whom the individual is employed, or

- 1 issues a new or renewal license to the individual or a person by
- 2 whom the individual is employed, may request the law enforcement
- 3 agency of the local unit of government to obtain conviction
- 4 information for criminal offenses concerning the individual for
- 5 the official through the law enforcement information network.
- 6 Sec. 7. An official of a local unit of government who is
- 7 required by an ordinance or a written administrative policy of
- 8 the local unit of government to obtain a driving record of an
- 9 individual or warrant information concerning an individual as
- 10 described in section 3, or who is required by an ordinance of the
- 11 local unit of government to obtain conviction information for
- 12 criminal offenses concerning an individual as described in sec-
- 13 tion 5, may request the law enforcement agency of another local
- 14 unit of government to obtain the record or information for the
- 15 official through the law enforcement information network if
- 16 either of the following circumstances exist:
- 17 (a) The local unit of government that requires the record or
- 18 information does not have a police agency.
- (b) The law enforcement agency of the local unit of govern-
- 20 ment that requires the record or information is not otherwise
- 21 authorized by law to access the law enforcement information
- 22 network.
- Sec. 9. (1) Subject to subsection (2), if an official of a
- 24 local unit of government requests a law enforcement agency to
- 25 obtain records or information under section 3, 5, or 7, the law
- 26 enforcement agency shall be allowed to access the law enforcement
- 27 information network to obtain the requested information.

- 1 (2) Subsection (1) does not authorize a law enforcement
- 2 agency that is not otherwise authorized by law to access the law
- 3 enforcement information network to obtain records or information
- 4 under section 3, 5, or 7.
- 5 Sec. 11. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section,
- 6 a record or other information obtained by a law enforcement
- 7 agency for an official of a local unit of government under
- 8 section 3, 5, or 7 concerning an individual is confidential and
- 9 shall not be available for public inspection or copying. The law
- 10 enforcement agency may disclose the record or other information
- 11 as follows:
- 12 (a) To another law enforcement agency for the administration
- 13 of criminal justice.
- 14 (b) To the official of the local unit of government for the
- 15 employment or licensure purpose for which it was obtained.
- 16 (2) A person receiving a record or other information made
- 17 confidential by this section shall disclose the record or other
- 18 information to others only to the extent consistent with the
- 19 authorized purpose for which it was obtained.
- 20 Sec. 13. (1) Except as otherwise provided in section 11, a
- 21 person who discloses a record or other information made confiden-
- 22 tial by this section is liable for a civil fine of not more than
- 23 \$10,000.00.
- (2) The attorney general or county prosecutor may commence a
- 25 civil action seeking the civil fine prescribed in subsection (1)
- 26 for a violation of section 11.

- 1 (3) A default in the payment of a civil fine provided for by 2 this section may be remedied by any means authorized to enforce a 3 judgment under the revised judicature act of 1961, Act No. 236 of
- 4 the Public Acts of 1961, being sections 600.101 to 600.9947 of
- 5 the Michigan Compiled Laws.