

Act No. 423
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**STATE OF MICHIGAN
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Introduced by Reps. Horton, Cropsey, Perricone, Green, McManus, Whyman, Jamian, Jellema, Dalman, Law, McBryde, London, Dobb, Hammerstrom, Voorhees, Bush, Rhead, LeTarte, Kukuk, Gernaat, Oxender, Hill and Goschka

ENROLLED HOUSE BILL No. 4399

AN ACT to amend section 48 of Act No. 280 of the Public Acts of 1939, entitled as amended "An act to protect the welfare of the people of this state; to provide general assistance, hospitalization, infirmary and medical care to poor or unfortunate persons; to provide for compliance by this state with the social security act; to provide protection, welfare and services to aged persons, dependent children, the blind, and the permanently and totally disabled; to administer programs and services for the prevention and treatment of delinquency, dependency and neglect of children; to create a state department of social services; to prescribe the powers and duties of the department; to provide for the interstate and intercounty transfer of dependents; to create county and district departments of social services; to create within certain county departments, bureaus of social aid and certain divisions and offices thereunder; to prescribe the powers and duties of the departments, bureaus and officers; to provide for appeals in certain cases; to prescribe the powers and duties of the state department with respect to county and district departments; to prescribe certain duties of certain other state departments, officers, and agencies; to make an appropriation; to prescribe penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act; and to repeal certain parts of this act on specific dates," as added by Act No. 223 of the Public Acts of 1995, being section 400.48 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

Section 1. Section 48 of Act No. 280 of the Public Acts of 1939, as added by Act No. 223 of the Public Acts of 1995, being section 400.48 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 48. (1) The director of the family independence agency may organize 2 counties into a single administrative unit for purposes of administrative efficiency. The director of the single administrative unit shall be appointed by the family independence agency from among persons certified as eligible and recommended by the family independence agency and by all of the affected county boards. If the affected county boards are unable to reach agreement on recommended candidates within 3 months after being notified of a vacancy, the director of the single administrative unit shall be appointed by the family independence agency from among persons certified as eligible and recommended by the family independence agency and by 1 or more of the affected county boards.

(2) The director of the family independence agency may establish a pilot project combining Lapeer, Huron, and Tuscola counties into a single administrative unit. The director of the single administrative unit shall be appointed in accordance with subsection (1). Not later than 2 years after the effective date of the amendatory act that added this subsection, the department shall submit a report to the legislature on the effect of the pilot project.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Secretary of the Senate.

Approved -----

Governor.