

## **HOUSE BILL No. 5239**

October 11, 1995, Introduced by Reps. Geiger, Cropsey, Baird, Hanley, Weeks, Horton, Green, Prusi, Ryan, McBryde, Cherry, Willard, DeMars, Brewer, Pitoniak, Dobronski, Voorhees, Owen, Walberg, McNutt, DeHart, Hammerstrom, Anthony and Tesanovich and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

A bill to amend Act No. 232 of the Public Acts of 1953, entitled as amended

"An act to revise, consolidate, and codify the laws relating to probationers and probation officers, to pardons, reprieves, commutations, and paroles, to the administration of correctional institutions, correctional farms, and probation recovery camps, to prisoner labor and correctional industries, and to the supervision and inspection of local jails and houses of correction; to provide for the siting of correctional facilities; to create a state department of corrections, and to prescribe its powers and duties; to provide for the transfer to and vesting in said department of powers and duties vested by law in certain other state boards, commissions, and officers, and to abolish certain boards, commissions, and offices the powers and duties of which are transferred by this act; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain other state departments and agencies; to provide for the creation of a local lockup advisory board; to prescribe penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act; to make certain appropriations; to repeal certain parts of this act on specific dates; and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act,"

as amended, being sections 791.201 to 791.283 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, by adding section 68.

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## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Section 1. Act No. 232 of the Public Acts of 1953, as
- 2 amended, being sections 791.201 to 791.283 of the Michigan
- 3 Compiled Laws, is amended by adding section 68 to read as
- 4 follows:
- 5 SEC. 68. (1) EACH CORRECTIONAL FACILITY HAVING A SECURITY
- 6 DESIGNATION OF II OR HIGHER SHALL BE EQUIPPED WITH WATCHTOWERS.
- 7 (2) A WATCHTOWER INSTALLED UNDER SUBSECTION (1) SHALL BE
- 8 STAFFED BY ARMED CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS ONLY IF THE LEGISLATURE
- 9 ANNUALLY APPROPRIATES FUNDS FOR THAT PURPOSE.
- 10 (3) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "SECURITY DESIGNATION" MEANS 1
- 11 OF 6 LEVELS OF RESTRICTIVENESS ENFORCED AT EACH CORRECTIONAL
- 12 FACILITY, AS DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS, WITH
- 13 SECURITY LEVEL I BEING THE LEAST RESTRICTIVE AND SECURITY LEVEL
- 14 VI BEING THE MOST RESTRICTIVE.