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SEALING OF CERTAIN COURT RECORDS

House Bill 5269

Sponsor: Rep. Bill McConico Committee: Criminal Justice

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5269 AS INTRODUCED 10-17-01

Under the Revised Judicature Act, a motion can be made to seal the court record of certain actions. The bill would amend the act to require a court – when determining whether good cause for sealing the records had been shown in a civil or criminal matter involving domestic violence – to consider the safety of any alleged victim or potential victim of the domestic violence. "Domestic violence" is defined in Section 1 of Public Act 389 of 1978 (MCL 400.1501).

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