

**SUBSTITUTE FOR  
HOUSE BILL NO. 5484**

A bill to amend 1939 PA 280, entitled  
"The social welfare act,"  
(MCL 400.1 to 400.119b) by adding section 18e.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1        SEC. 18E. THE FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY SHALL ESTABLISH  
2    AND ADMINISTER A STATE PLAN FOR FOSTER CARE ACCORDING TO THE PRO-  
3    VISIONS OF SECTION 477 OF PART E OF TITLE IV OF THE SOCIAL SECUR-  
4    ITY ACT, 42 U.S.C. 677. THE STATE PLAN SHALL INCLUDE PROGRAMS  
5    AND SERVICES THAT PROMOTE, IMPLEMENT, AND SUPPORT FOSTER CARE  
6    YOUTH FOCUS GROUPS TO PROVIDE CONSULTATION AND INPUT INTO FOSTER  
7    CARE POLICY. PROGRAMS AND SERVICES ESTABLISHED WITHIN THE STATE  
8    PLAN TO CARRY OUT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION MAY UTILIZE  
9    LOCALLY-BASED FOSTER CARE YOUTH FOCUS GROUPS THAT MAY INCLUDE  
10   YOUTH IN FOSTER CARE, YOUTH PREVIOUSLY IN FOSTER CARE, OR BOTH.