SENATE BILL No. 402

April 19, 2001, Introduced by Senator VAN REGENMORTER and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 223, entitled

"An act to create an agency concerned with crime victim services; to prescribe its powers and duties; to provide compensation to certain victims of crimes; to provide for the promulgation of rules; and to provide for penalties,"

by amending section 16 (MCL 18.366), as amended by 1996 PA 519.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 16. (1) A person who, with intent to defraud or cheat
- 2 by falsely presenting the facts and circumstances of a crime to
- 3 the commission, causes an award of money to be made under this
- 4 act to any person is guilty of a crime as follows:
- 5 (a) If the award is less than $\frac{$100.00}{}$ \$200.00, a misde-
- 6 meanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 3 months 93
- 7 DAYS or a fine of not more than \$1,000.00, or both.
- 8 (b) If the award is \$100.00 or more ANY OF THE FOLLOWING
- 9 APPLY, THE PERSON IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR PUNISHABLE BY

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- 1 IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN 1 YEAR OR A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN
- 2 \$2,000.00 OR 3 TIMES THE AMOUNT OF THE AWARD, WHICHEVER IS GREAT-
- 3 ER, OR BOTH IMPRISONMENT AND A FINE:
- 4 (i) THE AWARD IS \$200.00 OR MORE BUT LESS THAN \$1,000.00.
- 5 (ii) THE PERSON VIOLATES SUBDIVISION (A) AND HAS 1 OR MORE
- 6 PRIOR CONVICTIONS FOR COMMITTING OR ATTEMPTING TO COMMIT AN
- 7 OFFENSE UNDER THIS SECTION.
- 8 (C) IF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY, THE PERSON IS GUILTY OF A
- 9 FELONY PUNISHABLE BY IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN 5 YEARS OR A
- 10 FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$10,000.00 OR 3 TIMES THE AMOUNT OF THE
- 11 AWARD, WHICHEVER IS GREATER, OR BOTH IMPRISONMENT AND A FINE:
- 12 (i) THE AWARD IS \$1,000.00 OR MORE BUT LESS THAN
- **13** \$20,000.00.
- 14 (ii) THE PERSON VIOLATES SUBDIVISION (B)(i) AND HAS 1 OR
- 15 MORE PRIOR CONVICTIONS FOR VIOLATING OR ATTEMPTING TO VIOLATE
- 16 THIS SECTION. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SUBPARAGRAPH, HOWEVER, A
- 17 PRIOR CONVICTION DOES NOT INCLUDE A CONVICTION FOR VIOLATING OR
- 18 ATTEMPTING TO VIOLATE SUBDIVISION (A) OR (B)(ii).
- 19 (D) IF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY, THE PERSON IS GUILTY OF a
- 20 felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than 10 years or a
- 21 fine of not more than \$15,000.00 OR 3 TIMES THE AMOUNT OF THE
- 22 AWARD, WHICHEVER IS GREATER, or both IMPRISONMENT AND A FINE:
- 23 (i) THE AWARD IS \$20,000.00 OR MORE.
- 24 (ii) THE PERSON VIOLATES SUBDIVISION (C)(i) AND HAS 2 OR
- 25 MORE PRIOR CONVICTIONS FOR COMMITTING OR ATTEMPTING TO COMMIT AN
- 26 OFFENSE UNDER THIS SECTION. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SUBPARAGRAPH,

- 1 HOWEVER, A PRIOR CONVICTION DOES NOT INCLUDE A CONVICTION FOR
- ${f 2}$ VIOLATING OR ATTEMPTING TO VIOLATE SUBDIVISION (A) OR (B)(ii).
- 3 (2) A person who makes public or discloses to an unautho-
- 4 rized person information which THAT is confidential under this
- 5 act is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not
- 6 more than 3 months 93 DAYS or a fine of not more than
- 7 \$1,000.00, or both.
- 8 (3) AWARDS IN VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION IN SEPARATE INCI-
- 9 DENTS PURSUANT TO A SCHEME OR COURSE OF CONDUCT WITHIN ANY
- 10 12-MONTH PERIOD MAY BE AGGREGATED TO DETERMINE THE TOTAL AWARDS.
- 11 (4) IF THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY INTENDS TO SEEK AN ENHANCED
- 12 SENTENCE BASED UPON THE DEFENDANT HAVING 1 OR MORE PRIOR CONVIC-
- 13 TIONS, THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY SHALL INCLUDE ON THE COMPLAINT
- 14 AND INFORMATION A STATEMENT LISTING THE PRIOR CONVICTION OR
- 15 CONVICTIONS. THE EXISTENCE OF THE DEFENDANT'S PRIOR CONVICTION
- 16 OR CONVICTIONS SHALL BE DETERMINED BY THE COURT, WITHOUT A JURY,
- 17 AT SENTENCING OR AT A SEPARATE HEARING FOR THAT PURPOSE BEFORE
- 18 SENTENCING. THE EXISTENCE OF A PRIOR CONVICTION MAY BE ESTAB-
- 19 LISHED BY ANY EVIDENCE RELEVANT FOR THAT PURPOSE, INCLUDING, BUT
- 20 NOT LIMITED TO, 1 OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 21 (A) A COPY OF THE JUDGMENT OF CONVICTION.
- 22 (B) A TRANSCRIPT OF A PRIOR TRIAL, PLEA-TAKING, OR
- 23 SENTENCING.
- 24 (C) INFORMATION CONTAINED IN A PRESENTENCE REPORT.
- 25 (D) THE DEFENDANT'S STATEMENT.

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