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**STATE OF MICHIGAN
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Introduced by Reps. Rivet and Stewart

ENROLLED HOUSE BILL No. 4949

AN ACT to amend 1984 PA 431, entitled "An act to prescribe the powers and duties of the department of management and budget; to define the authority and functions of its director and its organizational entities; to authorize the department to issue directives; to provide for the capital outlay program; to provide for the leasing, planning, constructing, maintaining, altering, renovating, demolishing, conveying of lands and facilities; to provide for centralized administrative services such as purchasing, payroll, record retention, data processing, and publishing and for access to certain services; to provide for a system of internal accounting and administrative control for certain principal departments; to provide for an internal auditor in certain principal departments; to provide for certain powers and duties of certain state officers and agencies; to codify, revise, consolidate, classify, and add to the powers, duties, and laws relative to budgeting, accounting, and the regulating of appropriations; to provide for the implementation of certain constitutional provisions; to create funds and accounts; to make appropriations; to prescribe remedies and penalties; to rescind certain executive reorganization orders; to prescribe penalties; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts," by amending sections 284, 287, 288, 289, and 292 (MCL 18.1284, 18.1287, 18.1288, 18.1289, and 18.1292), sections 284, 288, and 292 as added and section 289 as amended by 1988 PA 504 and section 287 as amended by 1992 PA 191.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

Sec. 284. As used in this section and sections 285 to 292:

(a) "Archival value" means records which have been selected by the department of history, arts, and libraries as having enduring worth because they document the growth and development of this state from earlier times, including the territorial period; they evidence the creation, organization, development, operation, functions, or effects of state agencies; or because they contain significant information about persons, things, problems, or conditions dealt with by state agencies.

(b) "Record" or "records" means a document, paper, letter, or writing, including documents, papers, books, letters, or writings prepared by handwriting, typewriting, printing, photostating, or photocopying; or a photograph, film, map, magnetic or paper tape, microform, magnetic or punch card, disc, drum, sound or video recording, electronic data processing material, or other recording medium, and includes individual letters, words, pictures, sounds, impulses, or symbols, or combination thereof, regardless of physical form or characteristics. Record may also include a record series, if applicable.

Sec. 287. (1) The department shall maintain a records management program to provide for the development, implementation, and coordination of standards, procedures, and techniques for forms management, and for the creation, retention, maintenance, preservation, and disposition of the records of this state. All records of this state are and shall remain the property of this state and shall be preserved, stored, transferred, destroyed, disposed of, and otherwise managed pursuant to this act and other applicable provisions of law.

(2) In managing the records of this state, the department shall do all of the following:

(a) Establish, implement, and maintain standards, procedures, and techniques of records management throughout state agencies.

(b) Provide education, training, and information programs to state agencies regarding each phase of records management.

(c) Promote the establishment of a vital records program in each state agency by assisting in identifying and preserving records considered to be critically essential to the continued operation of state government or necessary to the protection of the rights and privileges of its citizens, or both. Preservation of designated vital records shall be accomplished by storing duplicate copies of the original records in a secure remote records center to assure retention of those records in the event of disaster and loss of original records.

(d) Operate a records center or centers for the purpose of providing maintenance, security, and preservation of state records.

(e) Provide centralized microfilming service and, after the effective date of rules promulgated under the records media act, 1992 PA 116, MCL 24.401 to 24.403, to govern optical storage, service for off-site storage of optical discs as an integral part of the records management program.

(f) Provide safeguards against unauthorized or unlawful disposal, removal, or loss of state records.

(g) Initiate action to recover a state record that may have been removed unlawfully or without authorization.

(h) Establish retention and disposal schedules for the official records of each state agency with consideration to their administrative, fiscal, legal, and archival value.

(3) The department shall issue directives that provide for all of the following:

(a) The security of records maintained by state agencies.

(b) The establishment of retention and disposal schedules for all records in view of their administrative, fiscal, legal, and archival value.

(c) The submission of proposed retention and disposal schedules to the department of history, arts, and libraries, the auditor general, the attorney general, and the board for review and approval.

(d) The transfer of records from a custodian state agency to a state records center or to the custody of the department of history, arts, and libraries.

(e) The disposal of records pursuant to retention and disposal schedules, or the transfer of records to the custody of the department of history, arts, and libraries.

(f) The establishment of a records management liaison officer in each department to assist in maintaining a records management program.

(g) The cooperation of other state departments in complying with this act.

(h) The storage of records in orderly filing systems designed to make records conveniently accessible for use.

Sec. 288. A state agency shall permit the department or the department of history, arts, and libraries, upon request, to inspect or inventory records in the custody of the agency.

Sec. 289. (1) In reviewing a draft retention and disposal schedule, the department of history, arts, and libraries shall determine whether any records listed on the schedule possesses archival value and may disapprove or may require modification of a schedule which proposes the destruction of a record possessing archival value.

(2) In cooperation with the department of history, arts, and libraries, the department shall periodically provide the department of history, arts, and libraries with listings of all records in the custody of the records center that are due for disposal before releasing those records for destruction. Within 30 days after receiving these lists, the department of history, arts, and libraries shall report in writing to the records center regarding each list submitted, and may disapprove the destruction of any or all of the records listed. Any record that is considered to potentially have archival value by the department of history, arts, and libraries shall not be destroyed or otherwise disposed of but shall be transferred to the department of history, arts, and libraries.

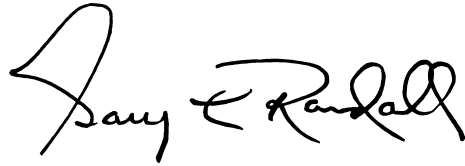
(3) The department shall notify the state agency that created a record before its destruction or transfer to the state archives.

(4) The department of history, arts, and libraries may initiate legal action in circuit court to recover records possessing archival value when there is reason to believe that records have been improperly or unlawfully removed from state custody. Upon initiation of any action, the court may issue a temporary restraining order preventing the sale, transfer, or destruction of a record pending the decision of the court.

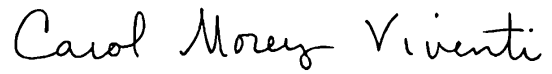
Sec. 292. This act shall not be construed to prevent the department of history, arts, and libraries from exercising its responsibilities to ensure that records possessing historical value are protected and preserved in the state archives.

Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect unless House Bill No. 4941 of the 91st Legislature is enacted into law.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.



Clerk of the House of Representatives.



Secretary of the Senate.

Approved

Governor.