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CONTENT

The bill would amend the Michigan Adoption Code to prevent a convicted sex offender from adopting a child.

Under the Code, a child may not be placed for adoption with a person convicted of criminal sexual conduct (CSC) in any degree or assault with intent to commit CSC if the victim was under the age of 18 when the crime was committed. Under the bill, a child could not be placed with any person convicted of CSC or assault with intent to commit CSC; the bill would delete reference to the victim's age.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have an indeterminate impact on State government. The Family Independence Agency currently has a procedure in place to investigate potential adoptive families. The review of additional conviction cases would result in some increased administrative costs.

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