HOUSE BILL No. 5642

March 11, 2004, Introduced by Rep. Rocca and referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice.

A bill to amend 1982 PA 325, entitled

"An act to authorize county sheriffs to declare a county jail overcrowding state of emergency; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain judges, county sheriffs, and other county officials; and to provide remedies for a county jail overcrowding state of emergency,"

by amending section 8 (MCL 801.58), as amended by 1988 PA 399.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 8. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection
- 2 and subsection (2), if the actions taken pursuant to sections 5,
- 3 6, and 7 do not reduce the county jail's population to the level
- prescribed in section 6(1) within 42 days of after the
- 5 declaration of the county jail overcrowding state of emergency,
- 6 the sheriff shall defer acceptance for incarceration in the
- 7 general population of the county jail persons sentenced to or
- 8 otherwise committed to the county jail for incarceration until
- 9 the county jail overcrowding state of emergency is ended pursuant

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- 1 to section 9, except that the sheriff shall not defer acceptance
- 2 for incarceration all persons under sentence for or charged with
- 3 violent or assaultive crimes, sex offenses, escape from prison or
- 4 jail, controlled substance offenses, first degree or second
- 5 degree home invasion, or weapons offenses.
- 6 (2) The sheriff shall not defer acceptance of a prisoner for
- 7 incarceration into the general population of the county jail if
- 8 both of the following occur:
- 9 (a) The sheriff or the sentencing judge presents to the chief
- 10 circuit judge for the county in which the county jail is located
- 11 information alleging that deferring acceptance of the prisoner
- 12 for incarceration would constitute a threat to public safety.
- 13 (b) The chief circuit judge, based upon the presence of a
- 14 threat to public safety, approves of accepting the prisoner for
- 15 incarceration.

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