SENATE BILL No. 519

May 19, 2005, Introduced by Senators KUIPERS, TOY, SCHAUER, CROPSEY, GILBERT and HARDIMAN and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled "Revised judicature act of 1961," by amending sections 1313 and 1314 (MCL 600.1313 and 600.1314), section 1313 as amended by 2004 PA 12.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 1313. (1) The board shall supply a juror qualifications
- 2 questionnaire to persons on the first jury list. This questionnaire
- 3 shall contain blanks for the information the board desires,
- 4 concerning qualifications for, and exemptions from, jury service.
- 5 Persons on the first jury list are required to return the
- 6 questionnaire fully answered to the jury board within 10 days after
- 7 it is received.
 - (2) In any county, the jury questionnaire described in this

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- 1 section and the written summons notice described in section 1332
- 2 may be provided together in the same mailing.
- 3 (3) IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER INFORMATION REQUESTED BY THE
- 4 BOARD UNDER SUBSECTION (1), THE QUESTIONNAIRE SHALL ASK WHETHER THE
- 5 PERSON IS A NURSING MOTHER AND SHALL INFORM THE PERSON THAT IF SHE
- 6 IS A NURSING MOTHER, SHE MAY BE EXCUSED FROM JURY SERVICE FOR THE
- 7 PERIOD DURING WHICH SHE IS NURSING HER CHILD IF SHE PROVIDES A
- 8 LETTER FROM A PHYSICIAN OR A CERTIFIED NURSE MIDWIFE VERIFYING THAT
- 9 FACT. AS USED IN THIS SUBSECTION:
- 10 (A) "PHYSICIAN" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL LICENSED BY THE STATE TO
- 11 ENGAGE IN THE PRACTICE OF MEDICINE OR OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE AND
- 12 SURGERY UNDER ARTICLE 15 OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH CODE, 1978 PA 368,
- 13 MCL 333.16101 TO 333.18838.
- 14 (B) "CERTIFIED NURSE MIDWIFE" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL LICENSED AS
- 15 A REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL NURSE UNDER ARTICLE 15 OF THE PUBLIC
- 16 HEALTH CODE, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.16101 TO 333.18838, WHO HAS BEEN
- 17 ISSUED A SPECIALTY CERTIFICATION IN THE PRACTICE OF NURSE MIDWIFERY
- 18 BY THE BOARD OF NURSING UNDER SECTION 17210 OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH
- 19 CODE, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.17210.
- 20 (4) -(3)— If a qualifying questionnaire is returned with an
- 21 indication by the United States postal service that the person to
- 22 whom the questionnaire is addressed is deceased, the name of the
- 23 person shall be removed from the first juror list and that name and
- 24 circumstance may be forwarded to the local clerk.
- 25 Sec. 1314. On the basis of answers to the juror qualifications
- 26 questionnaires the board may excuse from service persons on the
- 27 first jury list who claim exemption and give satisfactory proof of

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- 1 such right, and all persons who are not qualified for jury service.
- 2 THE BOARD SHALL EXCUSE FROM SERVICE A NURSING MOTHER WHO COMPLIES
- 3 WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 1313(3). The board may investigate
- 4 the accuracy of the answers to the questionnaires and may call upon
- 5 all law enforcement agencies for assistance in the investigation.