

SENATE BILL No. 587

October 3, 2013, Introduced by Senators GREGORY, HANSEN, ANDERSON, WARREN, PROOS, NOFS, JONES, PAPPAGEORGE, SCHUITMAKER, BIEDA, HOPGOOD, ANANICH, ROBERTSON, MARLEAU, CASPERSON, MOOLENAAR, BRANDENBURG, ROCCA, MEEKHOF, CASWELL, JANSEN, BOOHER, COLBECK, YOUNG, HILDENBRAND, RICHARDVILLE, KAHN and EMMONS and referred to the Committee on Families, Seniors and Human Services.

A bill to amend 1994 PA 203, entitled
"Foster care and adoption services act,"
by amending section 4c (MCL 722.954c), as added by 1997 PA 172.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 4c. (1) The supervising agency shall obtain from the
2 parent, guardian, or custodian of each child who is placed in its
3 care the name and address of the child's medical provider and a
4 signed document for the release of the child's medical records. The
5 supervising agency shall require that a child's medical provider
6 remain constant while the child is in foster care, unless the
7 child's current primary medical provider is a managed care health
8 plan or unless doing so would create an unreasonable burden for the
9 relative, foster parent, or other custodian.

1 (2) The supervising agency shall develop a medical passport
2 for each child who comes under its care. The medical passport shall
3 contain all of the following:

4 (a) All medical information required by policy or law to be
5 provided to foster parents.

6 (b) Basic medical history.

7 (c) A record of all immunizations.

8 (d) Any other information concerning the child's physical and
9 mental health, **INCLUDING INFORMATION THAT THE CHILD MAY BE A VICTIM**
10 **OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING.**

11 (3) Each foster care worker who transfers a child's medical
12 passport to another foster care worker shall sign and date the
13 passport, verifying that he or she has sought and obtained the
14 necessary information required under subsection (2) and any
15 additional information required under department policy. The
16 supervising agency shall provide a copy of each medical passport
17 and updates as required by the department for maintenance in a
18 central location.

19 (4) If a child under the care of a supervising agency has
20 suffered sexual abuse, serious physical abuse, ~~or~~ mental illness,
21 **OR IS ALLEGED TO BE THE VICTIM OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING,** the
22 supervising agency shall have an experienced and licensed mental
23 health professional as defined under ~~MCL 330.1100b(14)(a) or (b) or~~
24 ~~a social worker certified under section 1606 of the occupational~~
25 ~~code, 1980 PA 299, MCL 339.1606, SECTION 100B(15)(A), (B), OR (D)~~
26 **OF THE MENTAL HEALTH CODE, 1974 PA 258, MCL 330.1100B,** who is
27 trained in children's psychological assessments perform an

1 assessment or psychological evaluation of the child. The costs of
2 the assessment or evaluation shall be borne by the supervising
3 agency. This subsection applies only to a child who is made a state
4 ward on or after ~~the effective date of the amendatory act that~~
5 ~~added this section.~~ **MARCH 31, 1998.**

6 (5) A child's supervising agency shall ensure that the child
7 receives a medical examination when the child is first placed in
8 foster care. One objective of this examination is to provide a
9 record of the child's medical and physical status upon entry into
10 foster care.

11 (6) **IF, AFTER AN ASSESSMENT OR PSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATION**
12 **REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (4), A CHILD IS DETERMINED TO HAVE BEEN A**
13 **VICTIM OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING, THE SUPERVISING AGENCY SHALL PROVIDE,**
14 **IN ADDITION TO ANY REUNIFICATION, ADOPTION, OR OTHER SERVICES**
15 **PROVIDED TO A CHILD UNDER THE SUPERVISING AGENCY'S CARE, COUNSELING**
16 **SERVICES APPROPRIATE FOR MINOR VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING.**