

HOUSE BILL No. 4978

October 13, 2015, Introduced by Reps. Darany, Runestad, Hovey-Wright, Kosowski, Faris, Schor, Kivela, Kelly, Cochran, Victory, Pagel, Durhal, Hooker, Webber, Love, Chirkun, Zemke, LaVoy, Greig, Brinks, LaFontaine, Yanez, Lane, Dianda, Geiss, Wittenberg, Liberati, Plawecki, Derek Miller, Santana, Moss, Callton, Vaupel, Lyons, Crawford, Talabi, Bumstead, Iden, McCready, Lucido, Kesto and Hoadley and referred to the Committee on Families, Children, and Seniors.

A bill to amend 1994 PA 203, entitled
"Foster care and adoption services act,"
(MCL 722.951 to 722.960) by adding section 8d.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 SEC. 8D. (1) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PREPARE AND DISTRIBUTE TO
2 EACH CHILD PLACED IN FOSTER CARE, AS AGE-APPROPRIATE, INFORMATION
3 DESCRIBING THE CHILDREN'S ASSURANCE OF QUALITY FOSTER CARE POLICY
4 AND THE PROCESS TO FOLLOW IF THE FOSTER CHILD HAS CONCERNS
5 REGARDING A VIOLATION OF THE CHILDREN'S ASSURANCE OF QUALITY FOSTER
6 CARE POLICY. THIS INFORMATION SHALL INCLUDE INFORMATION REGARDING
7 THE FOSTER CHILD'S CASEWORKER, LEGAL GUARDIAN AD LITEM, THE OFFICE
8 OF THE CHILDREN'S OMBUDSMAN, HOW TO FILE A COMPLAINT, AND WHOM THE
9 FOSTER CHILD MAY CONTACT WITH ANY ISSUES.

1 (2) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS
2 SECTION BY NO LATER THAN 90 DAYS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE
3 AMENDATORY ACT THAT ADDED THIS SECTION.

4 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
5 unless all of the following bills of the 98th Legislature are
6 enacted into law:

7 (a) Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. 4976 (request no.
8 00541'15 *).

9 (b) Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. 4977 (request no.
10 00542'15 *).