

Act No. 423  
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**STATE OF MICHIGAN**  
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**REGULAR SESSION OF 2016**

**Introduced by Reps. Wittenberg, Maturen, Barrett, Glenn, Greig, Franz, Cox, Moss, Chirkun, Graves, Faris, Heise, Plawecki, Liberati, Hughes, Vaupel, Jenkins, Potvin, Outman, Callton, Canfield, Rutledge, Bizon, Irwin and Santana**

# **ENROLLED HOUSE BILL No. 5288**

AN ACT to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the statutes relating to the organization and jurisdiction of the courts of this state; the powers and duties of the courts, and of the judges and other officers of the courts; the forms and attributes of civil claims and actions; the time within which civil actions and proceedings may be brought in the courts; pleading, evidence, practice, and procedure in civil and criminal actions and proceedings in the courts; to provide for the powers and duties of certain state governmental officers and entities; to provide remedies and penalties for the violation of certain provisions of this act; to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with or contravening any of the provisions of this act; and to repeal acts and parts of acts," (MCL 600.101 to 600.9947) by adding section 947a.

*The People of the State of Michigan enact:*

Sec. 947a. (1) If a military spouse who meets the requirements of section 947 is admitted to the bar of this state, and is not subject to discipline, suspension, or disbarment for misconduct under section 904, his or her admission to the bar of this state is valid until the date the board of law examiners receives a notice under subsection (2).

(2) A military spouse described in section 947 who is admitted to the bar of this state shall notify the board of law examiners in writing if any of the following events occur:

(a) The service member to whom the military spouse is married is no longer an individual who is on active duty in the armed forces of the United States.

(b) The military spouse and service member are no longer married.

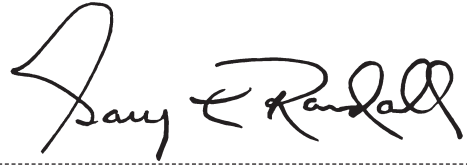
(c) The service member receives a permanent transfer to a duty station outside of this state. However, if the service member receives an unaccompanied or remote assignment with no dependents authorized, the military spouse may continue to practice law in this state until the service member is subsequently assigned to a duty station at which dependents are authorized, and the military spouse shall notify the board when that subsequent assignment occurs.

(3) A military spouse attorney must provide a notice to the board of law examiners required under subsection (2) within 30 days after an event described in subsection (2) first occurs. However, if the occurrence of that event is due to the death or disability of the service member, the military spouse attorney must provide the notice within 180 days of the death or disability of the service member.

Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days after the date it is enacted into law.

Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect unless House Bill No. 5289 of the 98th Legislature is enacted into law.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.



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Clerk of the House of Representatives



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Secretary of the Senate

Approved .....

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Governor