## HOUSE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 421

A bill to amend 1982 PA 250, entitled "Child abuse and neglect prevention act," by amending section 2 (MCL 722.602).

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 2. (1) As used in this act:
- 2 (a) "Child" means a person under 18 years of age.
- 3 (b) "Child abuse" means harm or threatened harm to a child's
- 4 health or welfare by a person responsible for the child's health or
- 5 welfare, which harm occurs or is threatened through nonaccidental
- 6 physical or mental injury; sexual abuse, which includes a violation
- 7 of section 145c of the Michigan penal code, Act No. 328 of the
- 8 Public Acts of 1931, being section 750.145c of the Michigan
- 9 Compiled Laws. 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.145C.

- ${f 1}$  (c) "Local council" means an organization  ${f which}$  THAT meets the
- 2 criteria described in section 10(a).
- 3 (d) "Neglect" means harm to a child's health or welfare by a
- 4 person responsible for the child's health or welfare which THAT
- 5 occurs through negligent treatment, including the failure to
- 6 provide adequate food, clothing, shelter, or medical care, THOUGH
- 7 FINANCIALLY ABLE TO DO SO, OR THE FAILURE TO SEEK FINANCIAL OR
- 8 OTHER REASONABLE MEANS TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE FOOD, CLOTHING, SHELTER,
- 9 OR MEDICAL CARE.
- 10 (e) "State board" means the state child abuse and neglect
- 11 prevention board created in section 3.
- 12 (f) "Prevention program" means a system of direct provision of
- 13 child abuse and neglect prevention services to a child, parent, or
- 14 guardian, and may include research programs related to prevention
- 15 of child abuse and neglect.
- 16 (g) "Trust fund" means the children's trust fund established
- in the department of treasury.
- 18 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
- 19 after the date it is enacted into law.