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SENATE BILL No. 421

May 31, 2017, Introduced by Senator JONES and referred to the Committee on Families, Seniors and Human Services.

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.
- (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
- physical or mental injury; sexual abuse, which includes a violation 6
- 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
- Compiled Laws 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.145C.

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- 1 (c) "Local council" means an organization 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 IN THE COURT'S DISCRETION, FINANCIALLY ABLE TO DO SO OR, IN THE
- 8 COURT'S DISCRETION, THE FAILURE TO SEEK FINANCIAL OR OTHER REASONABLE MEANS TO DO SO.>>
- 9 (e) "State board" means the state child abuse and neglect
- 10 prevention board created in section 3.
- 11 (f) "Prevention program" means a system of direct provision of
- 12 child abuse and neglect prevention services to a child, parent, or
- 13 guardian, and may include research programs related to prevention
- 14 of child abuse and neglect.
- 15 (q) "Trust fund" means the children's trust fund established
- 16 in the department of treasury.
- 17 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
- 18 after the date it is enacted into law.