SENATE BILL NO. 790

February 11, 2020, Introduced by Senator RUNESTAD and referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled "Revised judicature act of 1961,"

(MCL 600.101 to 600.9947) by adding section 1429.

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Sec. 1429. (1) If a court makes a video recording of a public court proceeding, the court shall make the recording available for public access as required by this section.
- 4 (2) A video recording that is made available for public access 5 under subsection (1) must be a complete recording of all public 6 portions of the court proceeding and not be edited to remove any

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- 1 portion of the recording that was viewable to any individual who
- 2 was physically present at the proceeding.
- 3 (3) A video recording to which this section applies must be
- 4 made available for access within 10 days after the date the
- 5 recording was made and continue to be available until not less than
- 6 60 days after the date the recording was made.
- 7 (4) A video recording to which this section applies may be
- 8 made available in any manner, including, but not limited to, any of
- 9 the following:
- 10 (a) Making the recording accessible from a public website.
- 11 (b) Making the recording accessible from a link provided by
- 12 electronic mail on request.
 - (c) Providing a physical copy of the recording.
- 14 (d) Making the recording available for viewing at the
- 15 courthouse.

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- 16 (5) A court may require a person that requests a video
- 17 recording to which this section applies to complete a form approved
- 18 by the state court administrative office that includes all of the
- 19 following:
- 20 (a) The case name and number.
- 21 (b) The date, time, and location of and the name of the judge
- 22 who presided over the court proceeding.
- 23 (c) If less than the entire proceeding is requested, the
- 24 portion requested.
- 25 (d) An acknowledgment that the recording is not the official
- 26 record of the proceeding.
- 27 (e) The requesting person's agreement that it will comply with
- 28 all laws regarding privacy of the information contained in the
- 29 recording and will not publish or disseminate any content that may

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- 1 be protected from disclosure.
- 2 (6) If a video recording to which this section applies is
- 3 provided in physical form, the court may require a person to pay a
- 4 fee of not more than \$10.00 for each copy of each court proceeding
- 5 requested.
- 6 (7) A video recording made available under this section is not
- 7 the official record of the court proceeding.
- 8 (8) This section does not require a court to make a video
- 9 recording of a court proceeding.
- 10 (9) This section does not apply to a court proceeding or
- 11 portion of a court proceeding if the court has ordered the record
- 12 sealed or access to the proceeding restricted as allowed by court
- 13 rule or statute.
- 14 (10) A video recording of a public proceeding made available
- 15 under this section is a public document for purposes of section 248
- 16 of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.248. This
- 17 subsection does not limit the ability to prosecute under any other
- 18 applicable law the false making or alteration of a video recording
- 19 of a public proceeding made available under this section.