

ALLOW VICTIM CONTACT INFORMATION TO BE SHARED WITH CERTAIN AGENCIES

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House Bill 5560 (H-1) as reported from committee
Sponsor: Rep. Julie M. Rogers
Committee: Judiciary
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SUMMARY:

House Bill 5560 would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure to allow a police officer or prosecuting attorney to provide a *domestic or sexual violence service provider agency* with the name, demographics, and other pertinent information of, and information to facilitate contact with, a victim of domestic or sexual violence for the purpose of offering supportive services to the victim.

Domestic or sexual violence service provider agency would mean an agency that receives funding from the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Division of Victim Services or a federal grant through the United States Department of Justice to provide confidential supportive services to victims of domestic or sexual violence or that is associated with an Indian tribe and is providing confidential supportive services to victims of domestic or sexual violence.

A police officer or prosecuting attorney that provides information to a domestic or sexual violence service provider agency would have to notify the victim that the information was provided. The bill would not authorize the disclosure of a confidential address as defined in the Address Confidentiality Program Act. The provision of information under the bill would be in addition to any other requirement under law to provide notice or information to a victim of domestic or sexual violence, including section 15c of Chapter IV of the code, section 3 of the William Van Regenmorter Crime Victim's Rights Act, and section 3 of the Sexual Assault Victim's Access to Justice Act.

Proposed MCL 776.21b

FISCAL IMPACT:

House Bill 5560 would increase state expenditures to DHHS by an indeterminate amount and would not have a significant fiscal impact on local units of government. The fiscal impact of the bill would be dependent on an increase in the number of crime victims eligible for supportive services provided by the state. Current funding for Crime Victims Services is \$121.5 million and is funded through the Crime Victim Grants Administration Services, Crime Victim Justice Assistance Grants, and Crime Victim Rights Services Grants lines.

POSITIONS:

Representatives of the following entities testified in support of the bill (2-1-22):

- Prosecuting Attorneys Association of Michigan
- Michigan Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence

Representatives of the following entities indicated support for the bill:

- Michigan Domestic and Sexual Violence Prevention and Treatment Board (6-7-22)
- Michigan Poverty Law Program (2-1-22)
- Michigan Association of Counties (2-1-22)
- Michigan Sheriffs' Association (2-1-22)

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