SENATE BILL NO. 763

December 01, 2021, Introduced by Senators BAYER, MOSS, BULLOCK, WOJNO, MCMORROW and POLEHANKI and referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled
"The code of criminal procedure,"

(MCL 760.1 to 777.69) by adding section 21d to chapter VIII.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 CHAPTER VIII
2 Sec. 21d. (1) For purposes of determining if a crime was
3 committed because of a sudden quarrel or in a heat of passion, the
4 discovery of, knowledge about, or potential disclosure of the
5 victim's actual or perceived gender, gender identity, gender

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- 1 expression, or sexual orientation, including under circumstances in
- 2 which the victim made an unwanted nonforcible romantic or sexual
- 3 advance toward the defendant, or if the person and victim had a
- 4 dating relationship or sexual relationship, is not objectively
- 5 reasonable provocation.
- 6 (2) A person does not suffer from reduced mental capacity and
- 7 shall not assert a defense under section 20a of this chapter based
- 8 on the discovery of, knowledge about, or potential disclosure of
- 9 the victim's actual or perceived gender, gender identity, gender
- 10 expression, or sexual orientation, including under circumstances in
- 11 which the victim made an unwanted nonforcible romantic or sexual
- 12 advance toward the defendant, or if the person and victim had a
- 13 dating relationship or sexual relationship.
- 14 (3) Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law of this
- 15 state, a person is not justified in using force against another
- 16 person based on the discovery of, knowledge about, or potential
- 17 disclosure of the victim's actual or perceived gender, gender
- 18 identity, gender expression, or sexual orientation, including under
- 19 circumstances in which the victim made an unwanted nonforcible
- 20 romantic or sexual advance toward the defendant, or if the person
- 21 and victim had a dating relationship or sexual relationship.
- 22 (4) As used in this section, "dating relationship" means
- 23 frequent, intimate associations primarily characterized by the
- 24 expectation of affectional involvement. This term does not include
- 25 a casual relationship or an ordinary fraternization between 2
- 26 individuals in a business or social context.