SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 4625

A bill to amend 1988 PA 13, entitled "Juvenile diversion act,"

by amending sections 2, 3, 6, and 9 (MCL 722.822, 722.823, 722.826, and 722.829), section 2 as amended by 2019 PA 101 and section 6 as amended by 1996 PA 137.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 2. As used in this act:
- 2 (a) "Assaultive crime" means an offense that, if committed by
- 3 an adult, would constitute an offense against a person described in
- 4 section 82, 83, 84, 86, 87, 88, 89, 316, 317, 321, 349, 349a, 350,
- 5 397, 520b, 520c, 520d, 520e, 520g, 529, 529a, or 530 of the
- 6 Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.82, 750.83, 750.84,
- **7** 750.86, 750.87, 750.88, 750.89, 750.316, 750.317, 750.321, 750.349,

- 1 750.349a, 750.350, 750.397, 750.520b, 750.520c, 750.520d, 750.520e, 750.520q, 750.529a, and 750.530.
- 3 (a) (b) "Court" means the family division of circuit court.
- 4 (b) (c) "Divert" or "diversion" means the placement that
- 5 occurs when a formally recorded apprehension is made by a law
- 6 enforcement agency makes a formally recorded investigation or
- 7 apprehension for an act by a minor that if a petition were filed
- 8 with the court would bring that minor within section 2(a) of
- 9 chapter XIIA of the probate code of 1939, 1939 PA 288, MCL 712A.2,
- 10 and instead of petitioning the court or authorizing a petition,
- 11 either of the following occurs:
- 12 (i) The minor is released into the custody of his or her the
- 13 minor's parent, guardian, or custodian and the investigation is
- 14 discontinued.
- 15 (ii) The minor and the minor's parent, guardian, or custodian
- 16 agree to work with a person or public or private organization or
- 17 agency that will assist the minor and the minor's family in
- 18 resolving the problem that initiated the investigation.
- (c) (d) "Law enforcement agency" means a police department of
- 20 a city, village, or township, a sheriff's department, the
- 21 department of state police, or any other governmental law
- 22 enforcement agency in this state.
- 23 (d) (e) "Minor" means an individual **who is** less than 18 years
- **24** of age.
- 25 (e) "Specified juvenile violation" means any of the following:
- 26 (i) A specified juvenile violation as that term is defined in
- 27 section 2 of chapter XIIA of the probate code of 1939, 1939 PA 288,
- 28 MCL 712A.2.
- 29 (ii) A violation of section 82(2), 321, 397, or 520c of the

- 1 Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.82, 750.321, 750.397, and
- 2 750.520c.
- 3 Sec. 3. (1) If in the course of investigating an alleged
- 4 offense by a minor a petition has not been filed with the court, or
- 5 if a petition has not been authorized, a law enforcement official
- 6 or court intake worker may do 1 of the following:
- 7 (a) Release the minor into the custody of his or her the
- 8 minor's parent, guardian, or custodian and discontinue the
- 9 investigation.
- 10 (b) Divert Subject to subsections (4) and (5), divert the
- 11 matter by making an agreement pursuant to under section 5 with the
- 12 minor and the minor's parent, quardian, or custodian to refer the
- 13 minor to a person or public or private organization or agency that
- 14 will assist the minor and the minor's family in resolving the
- 15 problem that initiated the investigation. Restitution must not be
- 16 considered when deciding if the minor may be diverted under this
- 17 subdivision.
- 18 (c) File a petition with the court or authorize a petition
- 19 that has been filed.
- 20 (2) A minor may be diverted only as provided in subsection
- 21 (1)(a) or (b) and subsection (3).
- 22 (3) A minor accused or charged with an assaultive offense
- 23 shall—a specified juvenile violation must not be diverted.
- 24 (4) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, before a
- 25 diversion decision is made for a minor, a risk screening tool and a
- 26 mental health screening tool may be conducted on the minor. A risk
- 27 screening tool and a mental health screening tool may not be
- 28 conducted on a minor who meets any of the following criteria:
- 29 (a) Is accused or charged with a specified juvenile violation.

- (b) Is currently under supervision in the juvenile justice
 system by the court or the department of health and human services.
- 3 (5) A minor must not be diverted under subsection (1) (b)
 4 unless both of the following requirements are met:
- 5 (a) The law enforcement official or court intake worker 6 receives the results of a risk screening tool and a mental health 7 screening tool for the minor conducted by a designated individual 8 or agency that is trained in those screening tools.
- 9 (b) The law enforcement official or court intake worker uses
 10 the results of the risk screening tool and the mental health
 11 screening tool, and the best interests of public safety and the
 12 minor, to inform the decision to divert the minor.
- 13 (6) A risk screening tool and a mental health screening tool
 14 described in subsections (4) and (5) must meet both of the
 15 following requirements:
- 16 (a) Be research based and nationally validated for use with 17 minors.
 - (b) Comply with the guidelines created under subsection (7).
 - (7) The state court administrative office, under the supervision and direction of the supreme court, shall create guidelines on the use of risk screening tools and mental health screening tools described in subsections (4) and (5).
 - Sec. 6. (1) When a decision is made to divert a minor, the law enforcement official or court intake worker shall file with the court in the county in which the minor resides or is found all of the following information:
- 27 (a) The minor's name, address, and date of birth.
- 28 (b) The act or offense for which the minor was apprehended.
- 29 (c) The date and place of the act or offense for which the

18

19

20

21

22

23

2425

26

1 minor was apprehended.

5

6

19

20

21

22

23

24

25

26

27

- 2 (d) The diversion decision made, whether referred or released.
- 3 (e) The nature of the minor's compliance with the diversion4 agreement.
 - (f) If the diversion is under section 3(1)(b), the results of the minor's risk screening tool and mental health screening tool.
- 7 (2) If a diversion agreement is revoked pursuant to under
 8 section 5(5), the law enforcement official or court intake worker
 9 shall file the fact of and reasons for the revocation with the
 10 court in which the information described in subsection (1) is
 11 filed. the fact of and reasons for the revocation.
- Sec. 9. (1) A record kept under this act shall must not be used by any person, including a court official or law enforcement official, for any purpose except in making a decision on whether to divert a minor.
- 16 (2) A person who that violates this section subsection (1) is 17 guilty of a misdemeanor —punishable by imprisonment for not more 18 than 180 days, or a fine of not more than \$1,000.00, or both.
 - (3) A risk screening tool and a mental health screening tool conducted as part of a proceeding under this act and any information obtained from a minor in the course of those screenings or provided by the minor in order to participate in a diversion program, including, but not limited to, any admission, confession, or incriminating evidence, are not admissible into evidence in any adjudicatory hearing in which the minor is accused and are not subject to subpoena or any other court process for use in any other proceeding or for any other purpose.
- Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect October 1, 2024.

- 1 Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect
- 2 unless Senate Bill No. 418 of the 102nd Legislature is enacted into
- 3 law.