

**EXECUTIVE REORGANIZATION ORDER (EXCERPT)**  
**E.R.O. No. 2001-2**

**28.621 Creation of new Michigan commission on law enforcement standards within department of state police as type I agency; transfer of powers and duties of Michigan justice training commission, Michigan justice training fund, and commission on law enforcement standards and law enforcement officers training fund to the new Michigan commission on law enforcement standards by type III transfer.**

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 1, of the Constitution of the state of Michigan of 1963 vests the executive power in the Governor; and

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 2, of the Constitution of the State of Michigan of 1963 empowers the Governor to make changes in the organization of the Executive Branch or in the assignment of functions among its units which he considers necessary for efficient administration; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Justice Training Commission and the Michigan Justice Training Fund were created within the Department of Management and Budget by Act No. 302 of the Public Acts of 1982, as amended, being Section 18.421 et seq. of the Michigan Compiled Laws; and subsequently transferred to the Department of State Police by Executive Order 1993-11, being Section 18.431 of the Michigan Compiled Laws; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Law Enforcement Officers Training Council (later renamed the Commission on Law Enforcement Standards by Act No. 237 of the Public Acts of 1998, which amended Section 28.601 et seq. of the Michigan Compiled Laws) and the Law Enforcement Officers Training Fund were created under Act No. 203 of the Public Acts of 1965, as amended, being section 28.601 et seq. of the Michigan Compiled Laws; and subsequently transferred by a Type I transfer to the Department of State Police by Act No. 407 of the Public Acts of 1965, being Section 16.257 of the Michigan Compiled Laws; and

WHEREAS, the powers, functions, duties and responsibilities assigned to the Michigan Justice Training Commission, the Michigan Justice Training Fund, the Commission on Law Enforcement Standards, and the Law Enforcement Officers Training Fund can be more effectively carried out by a new Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary in the interests of efficient administration and effectiveness of government to effect changes in the organization of the Executive Branch of government.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Engler, Governor of the State of Michigan, pursuant to the powers vested in me by the Constitution of the State of Michigan of 1963 and the laws of the State of Michigan, do hereby order the following:

**I. NEW MICHIGAN COMMISSION ON LAW ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS**

A. The new Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards is hereby created as a Type I agency within the Department of State Police.

B. All the statutory authority, powers, duties, functions and responsibilities of the Michigan Justice Training Commission, the Michigan Justice Training Fund, the Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and the Law Enforcement Officers Training Fund including those involving rulemaking, grant awards and annual distributions and including, but not limited to, the statutory authority, powers, duties, functions and responsibilities set forth in:

1. The Commission on Law Enforcement Standards Act, Act No. 203 of the Public Acts of 1965, as amended, being Section 28.601 et seq. of the Michigan Compiled Laws;

2. The Michigan Justice Training Commission and Michigan Justice Training Fund Act, Act No. 302 of the Public Acts of 1982, as amended, being Section 18.421 et seq. of the Michigan Compiled Laws; are hereby transferred to the new Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards by a Type III transfer, as defined by Section 3 of Act No. 380 of the Public Acts of 1965, as amended, being Section 16.103 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

C. The Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards shall consist of 17 members, including all of the following:

1. The Attorney General, or his or her designee from within the Department of Attorney General.

2. The Director of the Department of State Police, or his or her designee who is a police officer within the Department of State Police.

3. The chief of a police department located in a city with a population of more than 750,000, or his or her designee who is a command officer within that department.

4. Fourteen individuals appointed by the Governor, subject to disapproval by the Michigan Senate under Section 6 of Article V of the Michigan Constitution of 1963, including all of the following:

a. Three individuals selected from a list of not less than 9 active voting members of the Michigan

Association of Chiefs of Police nominated by the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police.

b. Three individuals selected from a list of not less than 9 elected county sheriffs nominated by the Michigan Sheriffs' Association.

c. One individual selected from a list of not less than 3 prosecuting attorneys nominated by the Prosecuting Attorneys Association of Michigan.

d. One individual selected from a list of not less than 3 criminal defense attorneys nominated by the Criminal Defense Attorneys of Michigan.

e. One individual selected from a list of not less than 3 individuals nominated by the Michigan State Police Troopers Association.

f. One individual selected from a list of not less than 3 individuals nominated by the Michigan Chapter of the Fraternal Order of Police.

g. One individual selected from a list of not less than 3 individuals submitted by the Police Officers Association of Michigan.

h. One individual selected from a list of not less than 3 individuals nominated by a police association representing police officers employed by a police agency employing more than 15 percent of the police officers in this state.

i. One individual selected from a list of not less than 3 individuals nominated by the Police Officers Labor Council of Michigan.

j. One individual selected from a list of not less than 3 individuals nominated by the Michigan Association of Police.

5. The Governor may appoint any individual meeting the membership requirements of the groups or organizations listed under Section I.C.4.a through I.C.4.j if an organization required to submit a list fails to submit a complete list of qualified nominees at least 30 days prior to a vacancy created by the expiration of a term, or not less than 30 days after the effective date of any other vacancy.

6. An individual appointed under Section I.C.4.a to I.C.4.j shall serve as a Commission member only while serving as a member of the organization that nominated the individual.

7. Members of the Commission appointed or reappointed under Section I.C.4.a to I.C.4.h after December 31, 2008 shall be appointed for a term of four years.

8. Of the members of the Commission initially appointed by the Governor under Sections I.C.4.i and I.C.4.j, one member shall be appointed for a term expiring on November 1, 2009, and one member shall be appointed for a term expiring on November 1, 2010. After the initial appointments, members of the Commission appointed under Sections I.C.4.i and I.C.4.j shall be appointed for a term of four years.

9. A vacancy on the Commission occurring other than by expiration of a term shall be filled by the Governor in the same manner as the original appointment for the balance of the unexpired term.

D. The new Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards, in addition to exercising the statutory authority, powers, duties, functions and responsibilities transferred to it by this order, shall focus its activities in order to accomplish the following objectives involving law enforcement organizations and officers:

1. Increase professionalism;

2. Increase the number of law enforcement organizations that offer formal in-service training and increase the number of law enforcement officers who receive formal in-service training;

3. Institute law enforcement in-service training standards applicable to all law enforcement in-service training in Michigan;

4. Implement a web-based information system that will allow the Commission to accomplish its goals and communicate with Michigan law enforcement organizations in a more efficient manner, and;

5. Ensure that grants awarded by the Commission to Michigan law enforcement organizations advance the objectives listed in subparagraphs D.1. through D.3.

## **II. MISCELLANEOUS**

A. The Director of the Department of State Police shall provide executive direction and supervision for the implementation of all transfers of authority made under this Order.

B. The Executive Director of the new Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards shall administer the assigned functions transferred by this Order in such ways as to promote efficient administration and shall make internal organizational changes as may be administratively necessary to complete the realignment of responsibilities prescribed by this Order.

C. The Director of the Department of State Police and the Executive Director of the new Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards shall immediately initiate coordination to facilitate the transfer and shall develop a memorandum of record identifying any pending settlements, issues of compliance with applicable federal and State laws and regulations, or obligations to be resolved by the Michigan Justice Training Commission, the Michigan Justice Training Fund, the Commission on Law Enforcement Standards

and the Law Enforcement Officers Training Fund.

D. All records, personnel, property and unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations and other funds used, held, employed, available or to be made available to the Michigan Justice Training Commission, the Michigan Justice Training Fund, the Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and the Law Enforcement Officers Training Fund for the activities, powers, duties, functions and responsibilities transferred by this Order are hereby transferred to the new Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards.

E. The State Budget Director shall determine and authorize the most efficient manner possible for handling financial transactions and records in the state's financial management system for the remainder of the fiscal year.

F. All rules, orders, contracts and agreements relating to the assigned functions lawfully adopted prior to the effective date of this Order shall continue to be effective until revised, amended or repealed.

G. Any suit, action or other proceeding lawfully commenced by, against or before any entity affected by this Order shall not abate by reason of the taking effect of this Order. Any suit, action or other proceeding may be maintained by, against or before the appropriate successor of any entity affected by this Order.

H. The invalidity of any portion of this Order shall not affect the validity of the remainder thereof.

In fulfillment of the requirement of Article V, Section 2, of the Constitution of the state of Michigan of 1963, the provisions of this Executive Order shall become effective November 1, 2001.

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**Compiler's note:** Section I.C. of MCL 28.261, as enacted by E.R.O. No. 2001-2, was amended by E.R.O. No. 2008-3. The text of I.C. reflects this amendment; all other text remains as originally enacted.