

**SUBSTITUTE FOR  
SENATE BILL NO. 631**

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled  
"The Michigan penal code,"  
by amending section 350a (MCL 750.350a), as amended by 2004 PA 223.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1           Sec. 350a. (1) An adoptive or natural parent of a child shall  
2 not take that child, or retain that child for more than 24 hours,  
3 with the intent to detain or conceal the child from any other  
4 parent or legal guardian of the child who has custody or parenting  
5 time rights ~~pursuant to~~**UNDER** a lawful court order at the time of  
6 the taking or retention, or from the person or persons who have  
7 adopted the child, or from any other person having lawful charge of  
8 the child at the time of the taking or retention.

9           (2) A parent who violates subsection (1) is guilty of a  
10 felony, punishable by imprisonment for not more than 1 year and 1

1 day, or a fine of not more than \$2,000.00, or both.

2 (3) A parent who violates this section, upon conviction, in  
3 addition to any other punishment, may be ordered to make  
4 restitution to the other parent, legal guardian, the person or  
5 persons who have adopted the child, or any other person having  
6 lawful charge of the child for any financial expense incurred as a  
7 result of attempting to locate and having the child returned.

8 (4) When a parent who has not been convicted previously of a  
9 violation of section 349, 350, or this section, or under any  
10 statute of the United States or of any state related to kidnapping,  
11 pleads guilty to, or is found guilty of, a violation of this  
12 section, the court, without entering a judgment of guilt and with  
13 the consent of the accused parent, may defer further proceedings  
14 and place the accused parent on probation with lawful terms and  
15 conditions. The terms and conditions of probation may include  
16 participation in a drug treatment court under chapter 10A of the  
17 revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.1060 to  
18 ~~600.1082.~~ 600.1084. Upon a violation of a term or condition of  
19 probation, the court may enter an adjudication of guilt and proceed  
20 as otherwise provided. Upon fulfillment of the terms and conditions  
21 of probation, the court shall discharge from probation and dismiss  
22 the proceedings against the parent. Discharge and dismissal under  
23 this subsection shall be without adjudication of guilt and is not a  
24 conviction for purposes of disqualifications or disabilities  
25 imposed by law upon conviction of a crime, including any additional  
26 penalties imposed for second or subsequent convictions. ~~The~~  
27 ~~department of state police shall retain a nonpublic record of an~~

1 ~~arrest and discharge and dismissal under this section. This record~~  
2 ~~shall be furnished to either or both of the following:~~

3 ~~—— (a) To a court or police agency upon request for the purpose~~  
4 ~~of showing that a defendant in a criminal action has already~~  
5 ~~availed himself or herself of this subsection.~~

6 ~~—— (b) To a court, police agency, or prosecutor upon request for~~  
7 ~~the purpose of determining whether the defendant in a criminal~~  
8 ~~action is eligible for discharge and dismissal of proceedings by a~~  
9 ~~drug treatment court under section 1076(4) of the revised~~  
10 ~~judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.1076.~~

11 **(5) UNLESS THE COURT ENTERS AN ADJUDICATION OF GUILT UNDER**  
12 **THIS SECTION, ALL PROCEEDINGS REGARDING THE DISPOSITION OF THE**  
13 **CRIMINAL CHARGE SHALL BE CLOSED TO PUBLIC INSPECTION, BUT SHALL BE**  
14 **OPEN TO THE COURTS OF THIS STATE, THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS,**  
15 **THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL, AND**  
16 **PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS FOR USE ONLY IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THEIR**  
17 **DUTIES.**

18 **(6) ~~(5)~~—It is a complete defense under this section if a**  
19 **parent proves that his or her actions were taken for the purpose of**  
20 **protecting the child from an immediate and actual threat of**  
21 **physical or mental harm, abuse, or neglect.**

22 **Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days**  
23 **after the date it is enacted into law.**