## SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 423

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

by amending section 2 of chapter XI (MCL 771.2), as amended by 2020 PA 397.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 CHAPTER XI

Sec. 2. (1) Except as provided in section 2a of this chapter
and section 36 of chapter VIII, if the defendant is convicted of an
offense that is not a felony, the probation period must not exceed
years. Except as provided in section 2a of this chapter and
section 36 of chapter VIII, if the defendant is convicted of a
felony, the probation period must not exceed 3 years. However, the

probation term for a felony under this subsection may be extended





- 1 not more than 2 times for not more than 1 additional year for each
- 2 extension if the court finds that there is a specific
- 3 rehabilitation goal that has not yet been achieved, or a specific,
- 4 articulable, and ongoing risk of harm to a victim that can be
- 5 mitigated only with continued probation supervision.
- 6 (2) Except as provided in subsection (10), (12), section 2a of
- 7 this chapter, and section 36 of chapter VIII, after the defendant
- 8 has completed 1/2 of the original felony or misdemeanor probation
- 9 period, he or she may be eliqible for early discharge as provided
- 10 in this section. The defendant must be notified at sentencing of
- 11 his or her eligibility and the requirements for early discharge
- 12 from probation, and the procedure provided under subsection (3) (5)
- 13 to notify the court of his or her eligibility.
- 14 (3) Except as provided in subsection (12), section 2a of this
- 15 chapter, and section 36 of chapter VIII, and subject to subsection
- 16 (4), the court may reduce a sentence of probation by 90 days for
- 17 every 6 months that a qualified probationer complies with the
- 18 requirements of the medication-assisted program for the treatment
- 19 of an alcohol use disorder or opioid use disorder approved by the
- 20 department of corrections. However, this subsection does not apply
- 21 to a qualified probationer who is subject to a mandatory probation
- 22 term.

- 23 (4) The court shall not grant the reduction in the term of
- 24 probation allowed under subsection (3) to a qualified probationer
- 25 if he or she commits either of the following during his or her term
- 26 of probation regardless of his or her compliance with a medication-
- 27 assisted program for the treatment of an alcohol use disorder or
- 28 opioid use disorder:
  - (a) An act that directly threatens, endangers, or injures

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- (b) A violation of a law of this state, a political subdivision of this state, another state, or the United States or of tribal law, that is not a law related to the use or possession of a controlled substance, unless the court determines the primary cause of the violation was the probationer's identified substance use disorder and another person was not threatened, endangered, or injured by the conduct giving rise to the violation.
- 9 (5) (3)—If a probationer has completed all required 10 programming, the probation department may notify the sentencing 11 court that the probationer may be eligible for early discharge from probation. If the probation department does not notify the 12 sentencing court as required under this subsection and the 13 14 probationer has not violated probation in the immediately preceding 15 3 months, the probationer may notify the court that he or she may be eliqible for early discharge from probation on a form provided 16 by the state court administrative office. In making a determination 17 18 regarding early discharge from probation under subsection (2), the court shall consider whether or not the probationer received a 19 reduction under subsection (3). This subsection does not prohibit 20 21 the court from considering a probationer for early discharge from 22 probation at the court's discretion.
  - (6) (4)—A probationer must not be considered ineligible for early discharge because of an inability to pay for the conditions of his or her probation, or for outstanding court-ordered fines, fees, or costs, so long as the probationer has made good-faith efforts to make payments. However, nothing in this subsection relieves a probationer from his or her court-ordered financial obligations after discharge from probation.

- (7) (5) Upon notification as provided under subsection (3), 1 2 (5), the sentencing court may review the case and the probationer's conduct while on probation to determine whether the probationer's 3 behavior warrants an early discharge. Except as provided in 4 5 subsection (7), (9), if the court determines that the probationer's 6 behavior warrants a reduction in the probationary term, the court 7 may grant an early discharge from probation without holding a 8 hearing. Before granting early discharge to a probationer who owes 9 outstanding restitution, the court must consider the impact of 10 early discharge on the victim and the payment of outstanding 11 restitution. If a probationer has made a good-faith effort to pay restitution and is otherwise eligible for early discharge, the 12 court may grant early discharge or retain the probationer on 13 14 probation up to the maximum allowable probation term for the 15 offense, with the sole condition of continuing restitution 16 payments.
- 17 (8)  $\frac{(6)}{(6)}$  If after reviewing the case under subsection  $\frac{(5)}{(7)}$ , 18 the court determines that the probationer's behavior does not warrant an early discharge, the court must conduct a hearing to 19 20 allow the probationer to present his or her case for an early discharge and find on the record any specific rehabilitation goal 21 that has not yet been achieved or a specific, articulable, and 22 23 ongoing risk of harm to a victim that can only be mitigated with 24 continued probation supervision.
  - (9) (7)—The sentencing court shall hold a hearing before granting early discharge to a probationer serving a term of probation for a felony offense eligible for early discharge that involves a victim who has requested to receive notice under section 18b, 19, 19a, 20, or 20a of the William Van Regenmorter crime

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- 1 victim's rights act, 1985 PA 87, MCL 780.768b, 780.769, 780.769a,
- 2 780.770, and 780.770a, or for a misdemeanor violation of section
- **3** 81, 81a, or 136b of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL
- 4 750.81, 750.81a, and 750.136b, that is eligible for early
- 5 discharge. If a probationer owes outstanding restitution, the court
- 6 must consider the impact of early discharge on the payment of
- 7 outstanding restitution and may grant early discharge or retain the
- 8 probationer on probation up to the maximum allowable probation term
- 9 for the offense, with the sole condition of continuing restitution
- 10 payments.
- 11 (10)  $\frac{(8)}{(8)}$  If a hearing is to be held under subsection  $\frac{(7)}{(9)}$ ,
- 12 the prosecutor shall notify the victim of the date and time of the
- 13 hearing and the victim must be given an opportunity to be heard.
- 14 (11) (9) The department of corrections shall report, no later
- 15 than December 31 of each year, to the committees of the senate and
- 16 house of representatives concerning the judiciary or criminal
- 17 justice the number of felony probationers who were released early
- 18 from probation under this section and any available recidivism
- **19** data.
- 20 (12) (10)—A defendant who was convicted of 1 or more of the
- 21 following crimes is not eligible for reduced probation under this
- 22 section:
- 23 (a) A domestic violence related violation of section 81 or 81a
- 24 of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.81 and 750.81a, or
- 25 an offense involving domestic violence as that term is defined in
- 26 section 1 of 1978 PA 389, MCL 400.1501.
- 27 (b) A violation of section 84 of the Michigan penal code, 1931
- 28 PA 328, MCL 750.84.
- (c) A violation of section 411h of the Michigan penal code,



- 1 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.411h.
- 2 (d) A violation of section 411i of the Michigan penal code,
- 3 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.411i.
- 4 (e) A violation of section 520c of the Michigan penal code,
- 5 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.520c.
- 6 (f) A violation of section 520e of the Michigan penal code,
- 7 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.520e.
- **8** (g) A listed offense.
- 9 (h) An offense for which a defense was asserted under section
- 10 36 of chapter VIII.
- 11 (i) A violation of chapter LXVIIA of the Michigan penal code,
- 12 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.462a to 750.462h, or former section 462i or
- **13** 462j of that act.
- 14 (13) (11) The court shall, by order to be entered in the case
- 15 as the court directs by general rule or in each case, fix and
- 16 determine the period, conditions, and rehabilitation goals of
- 17 probation. The order shall include a designation that the
- 18 probationer is a qualified probationer, if applicable. The order is
- 19 part of the record in the case. The court may amend the order in
- 20 form or substance at any time. If the court reduces a defendant's
- 21 probationary term under this section, the period by which that term
- 22 was reduced must be reported to the department of corrections.
- 23 (14) (12) A defendant who was placed on probation under
- 24 section 1(4) of this chapter as it existed before March 1, 2003 for
- 25 an offense committed before March 1, 2003 is subject to the
- 26 conditions of probation specified in section 3 of this chapter,
- 27 including payment of a probation supervision fee as prescribed in
- 28 section 3c of this chapter, and to revocation for violation of
- 29 these conditions, but the probation period must not be reduced

- other than by a revocation that results in imprisonment or asotherwise provided by law.
- 3 (15) (13) If an individual is placed on probation for a listed
  4 offense as that term is defined in section 2 of the sex offenders
  5 registration act, 1994 PA 295, MCL 28.722, the individual's
  6 probation officer shall register the individual or accept the
  7 individual's registration as provided in that act.
- 8 (16) (14) Subsection (1) does not apply to a juvenile placed
  9 on probation and committed under section 1(3) or (4) of chapter IX
  10 to an institution or agency described in the youth rehabilitation
  11 services act, 1974 PA 150, MCL 803.301 to 803.309.
- 12 (17) Not less than annually, each court shall report all of 13 the following to the house and senate standing committees on the 14 judiciary:
  - (a) The number of individuals who participated in a medication-assisted program for the treatment of an alcohol use disorder or opioid use disorder.
  - (b) The number of individuals who received a reduction in probation because of his or her participation in a medication-assisted program for the treatment of an alcohol use disorder or opioid use disorder.
  - (c) The number of individuals who reoffended after participating in a medication-assisted program for the treatment of an alcohol use disorder or opioid use disorder within 3 years of discharge from probation.
  - (d) The form and type of medication-assisted program for the treatment of an alcohol use disorder or opioid use disorder participated in by each individual.
- 29 (18)  $\frac{(15)}{}$  As used in this section:  $\tau$



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- (a) "listed "Listed offense" means that term as defined in
   section 2 of the sex offenders registration act, 1994 PA 295, MCL
   28.722.
  - (b) "Medication-assisted program for the treatment of an alcohol use disorder or opioid use disorder" means a treatment program that must include, but need not be limited to, a medical assessment, counseling plan, medication plan, and testing.
  - (c) "Nonviolent offense" means a crime that does not involve the use of any force against or injury to another person.
  - (d) "Qualified probationer" means an individual serving 1 or more probation terms for a controlled substance violation or another nonviolent offense that the court record indicates was primarily the result of controlled substance or alcohol use.

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