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H.B. 4920 (S-1): FLOOR ANALYSIS

House Bill 4920 (Substitute S-2 as reported)

Sponsor: Representative Larry Julian House Committee: Criminal Justice

Senate Committee: Families and Human Services

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Sex Offenders Registration Act to do the following:

- -- Allow juveniles charged with particular sex offenses on or after October 1, 2004, or convicted of specified sex offenses before that date, to petition the court for exemption from registration on the public sex offender registry.
- -- Authorize the court to order juveniles charged with particular sex offenses on or after October 1, 2004, to register on the sex offender registry maintained for law enforcement purposes until their 18th birthday, rather than for 25 years as currently required.
- -- Authorize the court to order juveniles convicted before October 1, 2004, to register on the law enforcement registry for 10 (rather than 25) years.
- -- Provide that an individual convicted of a listed offense before October 1, 2004, and assigned to youthful trainee status would have three years after that date to petition the court for the 10-year registration period on the law enforcement registry and exemption from registration on the public registry.
- -- Prohibit the court from granting an exemption if certain factors, such as the individual's use of force or a weapon in committing the crime, existed.

The bill would take effect on October 1, 2004. It is tie-barred to House Bill 5240, which would expand the offenses for which a person may not be assigned to youthful trainee status.

MCL 28.722 et al. Legislative Analyst: Julie Koval

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have a minimal fiscal impact on the Department of State Police. Although the bill would make adjustments to the Sex Offenders Registration Act, the Department already has the organization and resources to handle the changes.

To the extent that it would allow petitions for removal from the database, the bill could increase local court costs.

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