HOUSE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 671

A bill to amend 1939 PA 288, entitled "Probate code of 1939,"

by amending section 19 of chapter XIIA (MCL 712A.19), as amended by 2004 PA 477.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 CHAPTER XIIA

- 2 Sec. 19. (1) Subject to section 20 of this chapter, if a child
- 3 remains under the COURT'S jurisdiction, of the court, a cause may
- 4 be terminated or an order may be amended or supplemented, within
- 5 the authority granted to the court in section 18 of this chapter,
- 6 at any time as the court considers necessary and proper. An amended
- 7 or supplemented order shall be referred to as a "supplemental order
- 8 of disposition". If the agency becomes aware of additional abuse or

- 1 neglect of a child who is under the COURT'S jurisdiction of the
- 2 court and if that abuse or neglect is substantiated as provided in
- 3 the child protection law, 1975 PA 238, MCL 722.621 to 722.638, the
- 4 agency shall file a supplemental petition with the court.
- 5 (2) Except as provided in subsections (3) and (4), if a child
- 6 subject to the COURT'S jurisdiction of the court remains in his or
- 7 her home, a review hearing shall be held not more than 182 days
- 8 from the date a petition is filed to give the court jurisdiction
- 9 over the child and no later than every 91 days after that for the
- 10 first year that the child is subject to the COURT'S jurisdiction.
- 11 of the court. After the first year that the child is subject to the
- 12 COURT'S jurisdiction, of the court, a review hearing shall be held
- 13 no later than 182 days from the immediately preceding review
- 14 hearing before the end of that first year and no later than every
- 15 182 days from each preceding review hearing thereafter until the
- 16 case is dismissed. A review hearing under this subsection shall not
- 17 be canceled or delayed beyond the number of days required in this
- 18 subsection, regardless of whether a petition to terminate parental
- 19 rights or another matter is pending. Upon motion by any party or in
- 20 the court's discretion, a review hearing may be accelerated to
- 21 review any element of the case service plan prepared according to
- 22 section 18f of this chapter.
- 23 (3) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (4), if, in a
- 24 proceeding under section 2(b) of this chapter, a child is subject
- 25 to the COURT'S jurisdiction of the court and removed from his or
- 26 her home, a review hearing shall be held not more than 182 days
- 27 after the child's removal from his or her home and no later than

- 1 every 91 days after that for the first year that the child is
- 2 subject to the COURT'S jurisdiction. of the court. After the first
- 3 year that the child has been removed from his or her home and is
- 4 subject to the COURT'S jurisdiction, of the court, a review hearing
- 5 shall be held not more than 182 days from the immediately preceding
- 6 review hearing before the end of that first year and no later than
- 7 every 182 days from each preceding review hearing thereafter until
- 8 the case is dismissed. A review hearing under this subsection shall
- 9 not be canceled or delayed beyond the number of days required in
- 10 this subsection, regardless of whether a petition to terminate
- 11 parental rights or another matter is pending. Upon motion by any
- 12 party or in the court's discretion, a review hearing may be
- 13 accelerated to review any element of the case service plan prepared
- 14 according to section 18f of this chapter.
- 15 (4) If a child is under the care and supervision of the agency
- 16 and is either placed with a relative and the placement is intended
- 17 to be permanent or is in a permanent foster family agreement, the
- 18 court shall hold a review hearing not more than 182 days after the
- 19 child has been removed from his or her home and no later than every
- 20 182 days after that so long as the child is subject to the
- 21 jurisdiction of the court, the Michigan children's institute, or
- 22 other agency. A review hearing under this subsection shall not be
- 23 canceled or delayed beyond the number of days required in this
- 24 subsection, regardless of whether a petition to terminate parental
- 25 rights or another matter is pending. Upon the motion of any party
- 26 or at the court's discretion, a review hearing may be accelerated
- 27 to review any element of the case service plan.

- 1 (5) Written notice of a review hearing under subsection (2),
- 2 (3), or (4) shall be served upon all of the following:
- 3 (a) The agency. The agency shall advise the child of the
- 4 hearing if the child is 11 years of age or older.
- 5 (b) The CHILD'S foster parent or custodian. of the child.
- 6 (c) If the parental rights to the child have not been
- 7 terminated, the child's parents.
- 8 (d) If the child has a guardian, the guardian for the child.
- 9 (e) If the child has a guardian ad litem, the guardian ad
- 10 litem for the child.
- 11 (f) A nonparent adult if the nonparent adult is required to
- 12 comply with the case service plan.
- 13 (g) If tribal affiliation has been determined, the elected
- 14 leader of the Indian tribe.
- 15 (h) The attorney for the child, the attorneys for each party,
- 16 and the prosecuting attorney if the prosecuting attorney has
- 17 appeared in the case.
- (i) If the child is 11 years of age or older, the child.
- 19 (j) Other persons as the court may direct.
- 20 (6) At a review hearing under subsection (2), (3), or (4), the
- 21 court shall review on the record all of the following:
- 22 (a) Compliance with the case service plan with respect to
- 23 services provided or offered to the child and the child's parent,
- 24 guardian, custodian, or nonparent adult if the nonparent adult is
- 25 required to comply with the case service plan and whether the
- 26 parent, guardian, custodian, or nonparent adult if the nonparent
- 27 adult is required to comply with the case service plan has complied

- 1 with and benefited from those services.
- 2 (b) Compliance with the case service plan with respect to
- 3 parenting time with the child. If parenting time did not occur or
- 4 was infrequent, the court shall determine why parenting time did
- 5 not occur or was infrequent.
- 6 (c) The extent to which the parent complied with each
- 7 provision of the case service plan, prior court orders, and an
- 8 agreement between the parent and the agency.
- 9 (d) Likely harm to the child if the child continues to be
- 10 separated from the child's parent, guardian, or custodian.
- 11 (e) Likely harm to the child if the child is returned to the
- 12 child's parent, guardian, or custodian.
- 13 (7) After review of the case service plan, the court shall
- 14 determine the extent of progress made toward alleviating or
- 15 mitigating the conditions that caused the child to be placed in
- 16 foster care or that caused the child to remain in foster care. The
- 17 court may modify any part of the case service plan including, but
- 18 not limited to, the following:
- 19 (a) Prescribing additional services that are necessary to
- 20 rectify the conditions that caused the child to be placed in foster
- 21 care or to remain in foster care.
- (b) Prescribing additional actions to be taken by the parent,
- 23 guardian, nonparent adult, or custodian, to rectify the conditions
- 24 that caused the child to be placed in foster care or to remain in
- 25 foster care.
- 26 (8) At a review hearing under subsection (2), (3), or (4), the
- 27 court shall determine the continuing necessity and appropriateness

- 1 of the child's placement and shall order the return of the child to
- 2 the custody of the parent, continue the dispositional order, modify
- 3 the dispositional order, or enter a new dispositional order.
- 4 (9) If in a proceeding under section 2(b) of this chapter a
- 5 child is placed in foster care, the court shall determine at the
- 6 dispositional hearing and each review hearing whether the cause
- 7 should be reviewed before the next review hearing required by
- 8 subsection (2), (3), or (4). In making this determination, the
- 9 court shall consider at least all of the following:
- 10 (a) The parent's ability and motivation to make necessary
- 11 changes to provide a suitable environment for the child.
- 12 (b) Whether there is a reasonable likelihood that the child
- 13 may be returned to his or her home prior to the next review hearing
- 14 required by subsection (2), (3), or (4).
- 15 (10) Unless waived, if not less than 7 days' notice is given
- 16 to all parties prior to the return of a child to the child's home,
- 17 and no party requests a hearing within the 7 days, the court may
- 18 issue an order without a hearing permitting the agency to return
- 19 the child to the child's home.
- 20 (11) An agency report filed with the court shall be accessible
- 21 to all parties to the action and shall be offered into evidence.
- 22 The court shall consider any written or oral information concerning
- 23 the child from the child's parent, guardian, custodian, foster
- 24 parent, child caring institution, relative with whom a child is
- 25 placed, attorney, lawyer-guardian ad litem, or guardian ad litem,
- 26 in addition to any other evidence, including the appropriateness of
- 27 parenting time, offered at the hearing.

- (12) REASONABLE EFFORTS TO FINALIZE AN ALTERNATE PERMANENCY 1
- 2 PLAN MAY BE MADE CONCURRENTLY WITH REASONABLE EFFORTS TO REUNIFY
- THE CHILD WITH THE FAMILY. 3
- (13) REASONABLE EFFORTS TO PLACE A CHILD FOR ADOPTION OR WITH
- A LEGAL GUARDIAN, INCLUDING IDENTIFYING APPROPRIATE IN-STATE OR 5
- OUT-OF-STATE OPTIONS, MAY BE MADE CONCURRENTLY WITH REASONABLE 6
- 7 EFFORTS TO REUNIFY THE CHILD AND FAMILY.