SENATE BILL No. 1252

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<<A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled

"The revised school code,"

by amending sections 1230, 1230a, and 1230g (MCL 380.1230,

380.1230a, and 380.1230g), as amended by 2006 PA 680; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.>>

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Sec. 1230. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, upon an offer of initial employment being made by the board of a school district or intermediate school district or the governing body of a public school academy or nonpublic school to an individual for any full-time or part-time employment or when school officials learn that an individual is being assigned to regularly and continuously work under contract in any of its schools, the district, public school academy, or nonpublic school shall request from the criminal records division of the department of state police a criminal history check on the individual and, before

employing the individual as a regular employee or allowing the
 individual to regularly and continuously work under contract in any
 of its schools, shall have received from the department of state
 police the report described in subsection (8).

(2) If the board of a school district or intermediate school 5 district or the governing body of a public school academy or 6 nonpublic school determines it necessary to hire an individual or 7 to allow an individual to regularly and continuously work under 8 contract for a particular school year during that school year or 9 within 30 days before the beginning of that school year, the board 10 11 or governing body may employ the individual as a conditional 12 employee or conditionally allow the individual to regularly and continuously work under contract under this subsection without 13 14 first receiving the report described in subsection (8) if all of the following apply: 15

16 (a) The board or governing body requests the criminal history 17 check required under subsection (1) before conditionally employing 18 the individual or conditionally allowing the individual to 19 regularly and continuously work under contract in any of its 20 schools.

(b) The individual signs a statement identifying all crimes for which he or she has been convicted, if any, and agreeing that, if the report described in subsection (8) is not the same as the individual's statement, his or her employment contract is voidable at the option of the board or governing body. The department shall develop and distribute to districts and nonpublic schools a model form for the statement required under this subdivision. The

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1 department shall make the model form available to public school 2 academies. A district, public school academy, or nonpublic school shall use the model form for the purposes of this subsection. 3

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4 (3) If an individual is employed as a conditional employee 5 under subsection (2) and the report described in subsection (8) is not the same as the individual's statement under subsection (2), 6 7 the board or governing body may void the individual's employment contract. If an employment contract is voided under this 8 9 subsection, the individual's employment is terminated, a collective 10 bargaining agreement that would otherwise apply to the individual's 11 employment does not apply to the termination, and the district, 12 public school academy, or nonpublic school or the board or governing body is not liable for the termination. 13

14 (4) For an applicant for a position as a substitute teacher **OR** SUBSTITUTE BUS DRIVER, or for an individual who regularly and 15 continuously works under contract in more than 1 school district, 16 17 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic 18 school, if the applicant or individual agrees in writing to allow a 19 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school to share the 20 results of the criminal history check with another district, public 21 school academy, or nonpublic school, then instead of requesting a 22 criminal history check under subsection (1), a school district, 23 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic 24 school may use a report received by another district, public school 25 academy, or nonpublic school or maintained by the department to 26 confirm that the applicant or individual does not have any criminal 27 history. If that confirmation is not available, subsection (1)

1 applies to the applicant or individual.

2 (5) If an applicant is being considered for employment by more than 1 school district, intermediate school district, public school 3 4 academy, or nonpublic school and if the applicant agrees in writing to allow a district, public school academy, or nonpublic school to 5 share the report described in subsection (8) with another district, 6 public school academy, or nonpublic school, a district, public 7 school academy, or nonpublic school may satisfy the requirements of 8 9 subsection (1) by obtaining a copy of the report described in subsection (8) from another district, public school academy, or 10 11 nonpublic school.

12 (6) An applicant for employment shall give written consent at 13 the time of application for the criminal records division of the 14 department of state police to conduct the criminal history check 15 required under this section.

16 (7) A school district, intermediate school district, public
17 school academy, or nonpublic school shall make a request to the
18 criminal records division of the department of state police for a
19 criminal history check required under this section on a form and in
20 a manner prescribed by the criminal records division of the
21 department of state police.

(8) Within 30 days after receiving a proper request by a
school district, intermediate school district, public school
academy, or nonpublic school for a criminal history check on an
individual under this section, the criminal records division of the
department of state police shall conduct the criminal history check
and, after conducting the criminal history check and within that

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1 time period, provide a report of the results of the criminal 2 history check to the district, public school academy, or nonpublic 3 school. The report shall contain any criminal history record information on the individual maintained by the criminal records 4 5 division of the department of state police. A school district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic 6 school that receives a report from the department of state police 7 under this subsection shall retain that report in the individual's 8 9 employment records.

10 (9) If the report received by a school district, intermediate 11 school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school under 12 subsection (8), or a report received under section 1230a, 1230d(7), 1535a(15), or 1539b(15), discloses that an individual has been 13 convicted of a listed offense, then the school district, 14 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic 15 school shall take steps to verify that information using public 16 17 records and, if the information is verified, shall not employ the individual in any capacity, as provided under section 1230c, and 18 19 shall not allow the individual to regularly and continuously work 20 under contract in any of its schools. If the report received by a 21 school district, intermediate school district, public school 22 academy, or nonpublic school under subsection (8), or a report received under section 1230a, 1230d(7), 1535a(15), or 1539b(15), 23 discloses that an individual has been convicted of a felony other 24 25 than a listed offense, then the school district, intermediate 26 school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school shall 27 take steps to verify that information using public records and, if

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the information is verified using public records, shall not employ 1 2 the individual in any capacity or allow the individual to regularly and continuously work under contract in any of its schools unless 3 4 the superintendent or chief administrator and the governing board or governing body, if any, of the school district, intermediate 5 school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school each 6 specifically approves the employment or work assignment in writing. 7 If a school district, intermediate school district, public school 8 academy, or nonpublic school receives results described in this 9 10 subsection, within 60 days after receiving those results the school 11 district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or 12 nonpublic school shall submit to the department in the form and 13 manner prescribed by the department a report detailing the 14 information and any action taken as a result by the school district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or 15 16 nonpublic school. The department shall maintain a copy of this 17 report for at least 6 years.

(10) Criminal history record information received from the 18 19 criminal records division of the department of state police under 20 subsection (8) shall be used by a school district, intermediate 21 school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school only 22 for the purpose of evaluating an individual's qualifications for 23 employment or assignment in the position for which he or she has 24 applied or been assigned and for the purposes of subsections (3), (4), (5), and (12). A member of the board of a district or of the 25 26 governing body of a public school academy or nonpublic school or an 27 employee of a district, public school academy, or nonpublic school

shall not disclose the report or its contents received under this 1 2 section, except a misdemeanor conviction involving sexual or physical abuse or any felony conviction, to any person who is not 3 4 directly involved in evaluating the applicant's qualifications for employment or assignment. However, for the purposes of subsections 5 (4) and (5), a person described in this subsection may confirm to 6 an employee of another district, public school academy, or 7 8 nonpublic school that a report under subsection (8) has revealed that an individual does not have any criminal history or may 9 disclose that no report under subsection (8) has been received 10 11 concerning the individual, and for the purposes of subsections (4), 12 (5), and (12), a person described in this subsection may provide a copy of the report under subsection (8) concerning the individual 13 to an appropriate representative of another district, public school 14 academy, or nonpublic school. For an individual who is regularly 15 and continuously working under contract, if the individual agrees 16 17 in writing, a district, public school academy, or nonpublic school 18 may provide a copy of the results received under this section 19 concerning the individual to an appropriate representative of the 20 individual's employer. A representative of the individual's 21 employer who receives a copy of a report, or receives results of a 22 report from another source as authorized by this subsection, shall 23 not disclose the report or its contents or the results of the 24 report to any person outside of the employer's business or to any 25 of the employer's personnel who are not directly involved in 26 evaluating the individual's qualifications for employment or 27 assignment. A person who violates this subsection is guilty of a

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1 misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than \$10,000.00, but 2 is not subject to the penalties under section 1804. As used in this subsection, "misdemeanor conviction involving sexual or physical 3 4 abuse" includes, but is not limited to, a misdemeanor conviction 5 for a listed offense; a misdemeanor conviction for violation of section 617a of the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 6 257.617a; a misdemeanor conviction for violation of section 701 of 7 the Michigan liquor control code of 1998, 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1701; 8 9 a misdemeanor conviction for violation of section 81, 81a, 81c, 10 90c, 136b, 141a, 145, 145d, 145n, 233, 335a, or 411h of the 11 Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.81, 750.81a, 750.81c, 12 750.90c, 750.136b, 750.141a, 750.145, 750.145d, 750.145n, 750.233, 13 750.335a, and 750.411h; a misdemeanor conviction of section 6 of 14 1979 PA 53, MCL 752.796; or a misdemeanor conviction for violation 15 of a substantially similar law of another state, of a political 16 subdivision of this state or another state, or of the United 17 States.

(11) Subject to subsection (12), if the criminal history check 18 19 required under this section has been completed for a particular 20 individual and the results reported to a school district, 21 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic 22 school as provided under this section, then another criminal 23 history check is not required under this section for that 24 individual as long as the individual remains employed with no 25 separation from service by any school district, intermediate school 26 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school in this state 27 or remains regularly and continuously working under contract with

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no separation from service for the same employer in any school district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school in this state. For the purposes of this subsection, an employee is not considered to have a separation from service in any of the following circumstances:

6 (a) The employee is laid off or placed on a leave of absence
7 by his or her employer and returns to active employment with the
8 same employer within 1 year after being laid off or placed on the
9 leave of absence.

10 (b) The employee transfers to another school district, 11 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic 12 school and remains continuously employed by any school district, 13 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic 14 school in this state.

(12) If an individual described in subsection (11) is an 15 applicant for employment in a different school district, 16 17 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school than the one that originally received the results of the 18 19 criminal history check or that currently is in possession of the 20 results of the criminal history check, or is being assigned to 21 regularly and continuously work under contract in a different 22 school district, intermediate school district, public school 23 academy, or nonpublic school than the one that originally received 24 the results of the criminal history check or that currently is in possession of the results of the criminal history check, then all 25 26 of the following apply:

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(a) If the results of the individual's criminal history check

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1 have not already been forwarded to the new school district, 2 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school, the new school district, intermediate school district, 3 4 public school academy, or nonpublic school shall request the school 5 district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school that has the results to forward them to the new 6 school district, intermediate school district, public school 7 academy, or nonpublic school. Upon receipt of such a request, a 8 school district, intermediate school district, public school 9 academy, or nonpublic school that has the results shall forward 10 11 them to the requesting school district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school. 12

(b) If the results of the individual's criminal history check are not received by the new school district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school under this subsection or otherwise, then this section applies to the individual to the same extent as if he or she has had a separation from service.

19 (c) If the results of the individual's criminal history check 20 are received by the new school district, intermediate school 21 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school under this 22 subsection or otherwise, then that school district, intermediate 23 school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school shall 24 perform a criminal history check on that individual using the department of state police's internet criminal history access tool 25 26 (ICHAT), ensuring that this criminal history check is based on the 27 personal identifying information, including at least the

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individual's name, sex, and date of birth, that was associated with
 the results received from the previous school district,

3 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic4 school.

5 (d) If the search of the department of state police's ICHAT under subdivision (c) reveals that the individual has been 6 convicted of a listed offense, then the school district, 7 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic 8 9 school shall take steps to verify that information using public records and, if the information is verified using public records, 10 11 shall not employ the individual in any capacity, as provided under 12 section 1230c, and shall not allow the individual to regularly and continuously work under contract in any of its schools. If a search 13 14 of the department of state police's ICHAT under subdivision (c) reveals that the individual has been convicted of a felony other 15 than a listed offense, then the school district, intermediate 16 school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school shall 17 take steps to verify that information using public records and, if 18 19 the information is verified using public records, shall not employ 20 the individual in any capacity or allow the individual to regularly 21 and continuously work under contract in any of its schools unless the superintendent or chief administrator and the board or 22 23 governing body, if any, of the school district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school each 24 25 specifically approves the employment or work assignment in writing. 26 (13) Subsection (1) does not apply to an individual who is 27 being employed by or assigned to regularly and continuously work

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1 under contract in a school of a school district, intermediate 2 school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school if the individual is not more than 19 years of age and is enrolled as a 3 4 general education pupil of a school district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school or is not more 5 than 26 years of age and is enrolled in special education programs 6 or services in a school district, intermediate school district, 7 public school academy, or nonpublic school. However, before 8 employing the individual or assigning the individual to regularly 9 and continuously work under contract in a school, the school 10 11 district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or 12 nonpublic school shall perform a criminal history check on that person using the department of state police's internet criminal 13 14 history access tool (ICHAT). If a search of the department of state police's ICHAT reveals that the individual has been convicted of a 15 listed offense, then the school district, intermediate school 16 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school shall take 17 steps to verify that information using public records and, if the 18 19 information is verified using public records, shall not employ the 20 individual in any capacity, as provided under section 1230c, and 21 shall not allow the individual to regularly and continuously work under contract in any of its schools. If a search of the department 22 23 of state police's ICHAT reveals that the individual has been 24 convicted of a felony other than a listed offense, then the school 25 district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or 26 nonpublic school shall take steps to verify that information using 27 public records and, if the information is verified using public

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1 records, shall not employ the individual in any capacity or allow
2 the individual to regularly and continuously work under contract in
3 any of its schools unless the superintendent or chief administrator
4 and the board or governing body, if any, of the school district,
5 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic
6 school each specifically approves the employment or work assignment
7 in writing.

8 (14) For the purposes of subsections (9) and (13), the
9 department shall make available to school districts, intermediate
10 school districts, public school academies, and nonpublic schools
11 information on how to verify a conviction using public records.

12 (15) As used in this section:

13 (a) "At school" means in a classroom, elsewhere on school14 property, or on a school bus or other school-related vehicle.

(b) "Criminal history record information" means that term asdefined in section 1a of 1925 PA 289, MCL 28.241a.

17 (c) "Felony" means that term as defined in section 1 of
18 chapter I of the code of criminal procedure, 1927 PA 175, MCL
19 761.1.

20 (d) "Listed offense" means that term as defined in section 2
21 of the sex offenders registration act, 1994 PA 295, MCL 28.722.

(e) "Regularly and continuously work under contract" means anyof the following:

(i) To work at school on a more than intermittent or sporadic
basis as an owner or employee of an entity that has a contract with
a school district, intermediate school district, public school
academy, or nonpublic school to provide food, custodial,

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transportation, counseling, or administrative services, or to
 provide instructional services to pupils or related and auxiliary
 services to special education pupils.

4 (*ii*) To work at school on a more than intermittent or sporadic
5 basis as an individual under a contract with a school district,
6 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic
7 school to provide food, custodial, transportation, counseling, or
8 administrative services, or to provide instructional services to
9 pupils or related and auxiliary services to special education
10 pupils.

11 (f) "School property" means that term as defined in section 33 12 of the sex offenders registration act, 1994 PA 295, MCL 28.733. Sec. 1230a. (1) In addition to the criminal history check 13 required under section 1230, the board of a school district or 14 intermediate school district or the governing body of a public 15 school academy or nonpublic school shall request the department of 16 17 state police to conduct a criminal records check through the federal bureau of investigation on an applicant for, or an 18 19 individual who is hired for, any full-time or part-time employment 20 or who is assigned to regularly and continuously work under 21 contract in any of its schools. Except as otherwise provided in this section, a board or governing body shall not employ an 22 23 individual or allow an individual to regularly and continuously 24 work under contract in any of its schools until after the board or governing body receives the results of the criminal records check. 25 26 A board or governing body requesting a criminal records check under this section shall require the individual to submit his or her 27

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fingerprints to the department of state police for that purpose. 1 The department of state police may charge a fee for conducting the 2 criminal records check. Subject to section 1230q, a board or 3 4 governing body shall require an individual to submit his or her 5 fingerprints for the purposes of this section only at the time the individual initially applies for employment with the board or 6 governing body or is initially employed by the board or governing 7 body or is initially assigned to regularly and continuously work 8 under contract in any of its schools. 9

(2) If the board of a school district or intermediate school 10 11 district or the governing body of a public school academy or nonpublic school determines it necessary to hire an individual or 12 to allow an individual to regularly and continuously work under 13 14 contract for a particular school year during that school year or within 30 days before the beginning of that school year, the board 15 or governing body may employ the individual as a conditional 16 17 employee or conditionally allow the individual to regularly and continuously work under contract under this subsection without 18 19 first receiving the results of the criminal records check under 20 subsection (1) if all of the following apply:

(a) The board or governing body requests the criminal records
check under subsection (1) before conditionally employing the
individual or conditionally allowing the individual to regularly
and continuously work under contract in any of its schools.

(b) The individual signs a statement identifying all crimes
for which he or she has been convicted, if any, and agreeing that,
if the results of the criminal records check under subsection (1)

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reveal information that is inconsistent with the individual's 1 2 statement, his or her employment contract is voidable at the option of the board or governing body. The department shall develop and 3 4 distribute to districts and nonpublic schools a model form for the 5 statement required under this subdivision. The department shall make the model form available to public school academies. A 6 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school shall use the 7 model form for the purposes of this subsection. 8

(3) If an individual is employed as a conditional employee 9 under subsection (2) and the results of the criminal records check 10 11 under subsection (1) reveal information that is inconsistent with 12 the individual's statement under subsection (2), the board or governing body may void the individual's employment contract. If an 13 14 employment contract is voided under this subsection, the individual's employment is terminated, a collective bargaining 15 agreement that would otherwise apply to the individual's employment 16 17 does not apply to the termination, and the district, public school academy, or nonpublic school or the board or governing body is not 18 19 liable for the termination.

20 (4) For an applicant for a position as a substitute teacher **OR** 21 SUBSTITUTE BUS DRIVER, or for an individual who regularly and 22 continuously works under contract in more than 1 school district, 23 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic 24 school, if the applicant or individual agrees in writing to allow a 25 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school to share the 26 results of the criminal records check with another district, public 27 school academy, or nonpublic school, then instead of requesting a

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1 criminal records check under subsection (1), a school district, 2 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic 3 school may use results received by another district, public school 4 academy, or nonpublic school or maintained by the department to 5 confirm that the applicant or individual does not have any criminal 6 history. If that confirmation is not available, subsection (1) 7 applies to the applicant or individual.

8 (5) If an applicant is being considered for employment by more than 1 school district, intermediate school district, public school 9 10 academy, or nonpublic school and if the applicant agrees in writing 11 to allow a district, public school academy, or nonpublic school to 12 share the results of the criminal records check with another district, public school academy, or nonpublic school, then a 13 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school may satisfy 14 the requirements of subsection (1) by obtaining a copy of the 15 results of the criminal records check from another district, public 16 17 school academy, or nonpublic school.

18 (6) An applicant for employment shall give written consent at 19 the time of application for the criminal records division of the 20 department of state police to conduct the criminal records check 21 required under this section.

(7) A school district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school shall make a request to the department of state police for a criminal records check under this section on a form and in a manner prescribed by the department of state police.

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(8) The results of a criminal records check under this section

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shall be used by a school district, intermediate school district, 1 public school academy, or nonpublic school only for the purpose of 2 evaluating an individual's qualifications for employment or 3 4 assignment in the position for which he or she has applied or been assigned and for the purposes of subsections (3), (4), (5), and 5 (12). A member of the board of a district or of the governing body 6 of a public school academy or nonpublic school or an employee of a 7 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school shall not 8 disclose those results received under this section, except a 9 10 misdemeanor conviction involving sexual or physical abuse or any 11 felony conviction, to any person who is not directly involved in 12 evaluating the individual's qualifications for employment or assignment. However, for the purposes of subsections (4), (5), and 13 14 (12) a person described in this subsection may provide a copy of the results received under this section concerning the individual 15 to an appropriate representative of another district, public school 16 17 academy, or nonpublic school. For an individual who is regularly and continuously working under contract, if the individual agrees 18 19 in writing, a district, public school academy, or nonpublic school 20 may provide a copy of the results received under this section 21 concerning the individual to an appropriate representative of the 22 individual's employer. A representative of the individual's 23 employer who receives a copy of the results, or receives the 24 results from another source as authorized by this subsection, shall 25 not disclose the results to any person outside of the employer's 26 business or to any of the employer's personnel who are not directly 27 involved in evaluating the individual's qualifications for

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1 employment or assignment. A person who violates this subsection is 2 guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than \$10,000.00, but is not subject to the penalties under section 1804. 3 As used in this subsection, "misdemeanor conviction involving 4 sexual or physical abuse" includes, but is not limited to, a 5 misdemeanor conviction for a listed offense; a misdemeanor 6 conviction for violation of section 617a of the Michigan vehicle 7 code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.617a; a misdemeanor conviction for 8 9 violation of section 701 of the Michigan liquor control code of 10 1998, 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1701; a misdemeanor conviction for 11 violation of section 81, 81a, 81c, 90c, 136b, 141a, 145, 145d, 12 145n, 233, 335a, or 411h of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.81, 750.81a, 750.81c, 750.90c, 750.136b, 750.141a, 750.145, 13 750.145d, 750.145n, 750.233, 750.335a, and 750.411h; a misdemeanor 14 conviction of section 6 of 1979 PA 53, MCL 752.796; or a 15 misdemeanor conviction for violation of a substantially similar law 16 17 of another state, of a political subdivision of this state or another state, or of the United States. 18

19 (9) Within 30 days after receiving a proper request by a 20 school district, intermediate school district, public school 21 academy, or nonpublic school for a criminal records check on an 22 individual under this section, the criminal records division of the 23 department of state police shall initiate the criminal records 24 check through the federal bureau of investigation. After conducting 25 the criminal records check required under this section for a school 26 district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or 27 nonpublic school, the criminal records division of the department

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of state police shall provide the results of the criminal records check to the district, public school academy, or nonpublic school. A school district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school that receives results from the department of state police under this subsection shall retain those results in the individual's employment records.

(10) If the results received by a school district, 7 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic 8 9 school under subsection (9), or a report received under section 1230, 1230d(7), 1535a(15), or 1539b(15), disclose that an 10 11 individual has been convicted of a listed offense, then the school 12 district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school shall take steps to verify that information using 13 14 public records and, if the information is verified, shall not employ the individual in any capacity, as provided under section 15 1230c, and shall not allow the individual to regularly and 16 17 continuously work under contract in any of its schools. If the results received by a school district, intermediate school 18 19 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school under 20 subsection (9), or a report received under section 1230, 1230d(7), 1535a(15), or 1539b(15), disclose that an individual has been 21 22 convicted of a felony other than a listed offense, then the school district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or 23 24 nonpublic school shall take steps to verify that information using public records and, if the information is verified using public 25 26 records, shall not employ the individual in any capacity or allow 27 the individual to regularly and continuously work under contract in

1 any of its schools unless the superintendent or chief administrator 2 and the governing board or governing body, if any, of the school district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or 3 4 nonpublic school each specifically approves the employment or work assignment in writing. If a school district, intermediate school 5 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school receives 6 results described in this subsection, within 60 days after 7 receiving those results the school district, intermediate school 8 9 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school shall submit 10 to the department in the form and manner prescribed by the 11 department a report detailing the information and any action taken 12 as a result by the school district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school. The department shall 13 14 maintain a copy of this report for at least 6 years.

(11) Subject to subsection (12), if the criminal records check 15 required under this section has been completed for a particular 16 17 individual and the results reported to a school district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic 18 19 school as provided under this section, then another criminal 20 records check is not required under this section for that 21 individual as long as the individual remains employed with no 22 separation from service by any school district, intermediate school 23 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school in this state 24 or remains regularly and continuously working under contract with 25 no separation from service for the same employer in any school 26 district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or 27 nonpublic school in this state. For the purposes of this

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subsection, an employee is not considered to have a separation from
 service in any of the following circumstances:

3 (a) The employee is laid off or placed on a leave of absence
4 by his or her employer and returns to active employment with the
5 same employer within 1 year after being laid off or placed on the
6 leave of absence.

7 (b) The employee transfers to another school district,
8 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic
9 school and remains continuously employed by any school district,
10 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic
11 school in this state.

12 (12) If an individual described in subsection (11) is an applicant for employment in a different school district, 13 14 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school than the one that originally received the results of the 15 16 criminal records check or that currently is in possession of the 17 results of the criminal records check, or is being assigned to regularly and continuously work under contract in a different 18 19 school district, intermediate school district, public school 20 academy, or nonpublic school than the one that originally received 21 the results of the criminal records check or that currently is in possession of the results of the criminal records check, then all 22 23 of the following apply:

(a) If the results of the individual's criminal records check
have not already been forwarded to the new school district,
intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic
school, the new school district, intermediate school district,

1 public school academy, or nonpublic school shall request the school 2 district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school that has the results to forward them to the new 3 4 school district, intermediate school district, public school 5 academy, or nonpublic school. Upon receipt of such a request, a school district, intermediate school district, public school 6 academy, or nonpublic school that has the results shall forward 7 them to the requesting school district, intermediate school 8 9 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school.

10 (b) If the results of the individual's criminal records check 11 are not received by the new school district, intermediate school 12 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school under this 13 subsection or otherwise, then this section applies to the 14 individual to the same extent as if he or she has had a separation 15 from service.

(13) Subsection (1) does not apply to an individual who is 16 17 being employed by or assigned to regularly and continuously work under contract in a school of a school district, intermediate 18 19 school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school if the 20 individual is not more than 19 years of age and is enrolled as a 21 general education pupil of a school district, intermediate school 22 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school or is not more 23 than 26 years of age and is enrolled in special education programs or services in a school district, intermediate school district, 24 25 public school academy, or nonpublic school. However, before 26 employing the individual or assigning the individual to regularly 27 and continuously work under contract in a school, the school

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district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or 1 2 nonpublic school shall perform a criminal history check on that person using the department of state police's internet criminal 3 4 history access tool (ICHAT). If a search of the department of state police's ICHAT reveals that the individual has been convicted of a 5 listed offense, then the school district, intermediate school 6 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school shall take 7 steps to verify that information using public records and, if the 8 information is verified using public records, shall not employ the 9 individual in any capacity, as provided under section 1230c, and 10 11 shall not allow the individual to regularly and continuously work 12 under contract in any of its schools. If a search of the department of state police's ICHAT reveals that the individual has been 13 convicted of a felony other than a listed offense, then the school 14 district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or 15 nonpublic school shall take steps to verify that information using 16 17 public records and, if the information is verified using public 18 records, shall not employ the individual in any capacity or allow 19 the individual to regularly and continuously work under contract in 20 any of its schools unless the superintendent or chief administrator and the board or governing body of the school district, 21 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic 22

23 school each specifically approves the employment or work assignment24 in writing.

(14) For the purposes of subsections (10) and (13), the
department shall make available to school districts, intermediate
school districts, public school academies, and nonpublic schools

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1 information on how to verify a conviction using public records.

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(15) As used in this section:

3 (a) "At school" means in a classroom, elsewhere on school4 property, or on a school bus or other school-related vehicle.

5 (b) "Felony" means that term as defined in section 1 of
6 chapter I of the code of criminal procedure, 1927 PA 175, MCL
7 761.1.

8 (c) "Listed offense" means that term as defined in section 2
9 of the sex offenders registration act, 1994 PA 295, MCL 28.722.

10 (d) "Regularly and continuously work under contract" means any11 of the following:

(i) To work at school on a more than intermittent or sporadic basis as an owner or employee of an entity that has a contract with a school district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school to provide food, custodial, transportation, counseling, or administrative services, or to provide instructional services to pupils or related and auxiliary services to special education pupils.

19 (ii) To work at school on a more than intermittent or sporadic
20 basis as an individual under a contract with a school district,
21 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic
22 school to provide food, custodial, transportation, counseling, or
23 administrative services, or to provide instructional services to
24 pupils or related and auxiliary services to special education
25 pupils.

(e) "School property" means that term as defined in section 33
of the sex offenders registration act, 1994 PA 295, MCL 28.733.

Sec. 1230g. (1) Not later than July 1, 2008, the board of a 1 2 school district or intermediate school district, the board of directors of a public school academy, or the governing body of a 3 4 nonpublic school shall do both of the following for each individual who, as of December 1, 2005, is either a full-time or part-time 5 employee of the school district, intermediate school district, 6 public school academy, or nonpublic school or is assigned to 7 regularly and continuously work under contract in any of its 8 schools and who either is still a full-time or part-time employee 9 of the school district, intermediate school district, public school 10 11 academy, or nonpublic school on the date that the criminal history 12 and criminal records checks under this section are initiated or is still assigned to regularly and continuously work under contract in 13 any of its schools on the date that the criminal history and 14 criminal records checks under this section are initiated: 15

16 (a) Request from the criminal records division of the
17 department of state police a criminal history check on the
18 individual.

(b) Request the department of state police to conduct a criminal records check on the individual through the federal bureau of investigation. The board, board of directors, or governing board shall require the individual to submit his or her fingerprints to the department of state police for the purposes of this subdivision. The department of state police may charge a fee for conducting the criminal records check.

26 (2) For an individual employed or regularly and continuously
27 working under contract as a substitute teacher OR SUBSTITUTE BUS

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1 DRIVER, if the individual agrees in writing to allow a district, 2 public school academy, or nonpublic school to share the results of the criminal history check or criminal records check with another 3 4 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school, then instead 5 of requesting a criminal history check and criminal records check under subsection (1), a school district, intermediate school 6 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school may use 7 results received by another district, public school academy, or 8 nonpublic school to confirm that the individual does not have any 9 criminal history. Alternatively, a school district, intermediate 10 11 school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school may use 12 results maintained by the department to confirm that the individual does not have any criminal history. If confirmation is not 13 available from any of these sources, subsection (1) applies to the 14 individual. 15

(3) If an individual described in subsection (1) is employed 16 17 by or regularly and continuously working under contract in more than 1 school district, intermediate school district, public school 18 19 academy, or nonpublic school and if the individual agrees in 20 writing to allow a district, public school academy, or nonpublic 21 school to share the results of the criminal history check or criminal records check with another district, public school 22 academy, or nonpublic school, then a district, public school 23 24 academy, or nonpublic school may satisfy the requirements of 25 subsection (1) by obtaining a copy of the results of the criminal 26 history check or criminal records check from another district, 27 public school academy, or nonpublic school.

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1 (4) An individual described in subsection (1) shall give 2 written consent for the criminal records division of the department of state police to conduct the criminal history check and criminal 3 4 records check required under this section and shall submit his or 5 her fingerprints to the department of state police for the purposes of the criminal records check. If an individual does not comply 6 with this subsection or otherwise fails to cooperate with a school 7 district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or 8 nonpublic school that is seeking to comply with subsection (1) 9 concerning the individual, then the school district, intermediate 10 11 school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school shall not employ the individual in any capacity and shall not allow the 12 individual to regularly and continuously work under contract in any 13 of its schools. 14

(5) A school district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school shall make a request to the department of state police for the criminal history check and criminal records check under this section on a form and in a manner prescribed by the department of state police.

20 (6) The results of a criminal history check and criminal 21 records check under this section shall be used by a school district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or 22 23 nonpublic school only for the purpose of evaluating an individual's qualifications for employment or assignment in his or her position 24 and for the purposes of subsections (2) and (3). A member of the 25 26 board of a school district or intermediate school district, of the 27 board of directors of a public school academy, or of the governing

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body of a nonpublic school or an employee of a district, public 1 2 school academy, or nonpublic school shall not disclose those results received under this section, except a misdemeanor 3 4 conviction involving sexual or physical abuse or any felony 5 conviction, to any person who is not directly involved in evaluating the individual's qualifications for employment or 6 assignment. However, for the purposes of subsections (2) and (3), a 7 person described in this subsection may provide a copy of the 8 results received under this section concerning the individual to an 9 appropriate representative of another district, public school 10 11 academy, or nonpublic school. For an individual who is regularly 12 and continuously working under contract, if the individual agrees in writing, a district, public school academy, or nonpublic school 13 14 may provide a copy of the results received under this section concerning the individual to an appropriate representative of the 15 individual's employer. A representative of the individual's 16 17 employer who receives a copy of the results, or receives the results from another source as authorized by this subsection, shall 18 19 not disclose the results to any person outside of the employer's 20 business or to any of the employer's personnel who are not directly 21 involved in evaluating the individual's qualifications for employment or assignment. A person who violates this subsection is 22 23 guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than \$10,000.00, but is not subject to the penalties under section 1804. 24 As used in this subsection, "misdemeanor conviction involving 25 26 sexual or physical abuse" includes, but is not limited to, a 27 misdemeanor conviction for a listed offense; a misdemeanor

conviction for violation of section 617a of the Michigan vehicle 1 2 code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.617a; a misdemeanor conviction for 3 violation of section 701 of the Michigan liquor control code of 4 1998, 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1701; a misdemeanor conviction for 5 violation of section 81, 81a, 81c, 90c, 136b, 141a, 145, 145d, 6 145n, 233, 335a, or 411h of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.81, 750.81a, 750.81c, 750.90c, 750.136b, 750.141a, 750.145, 7 750.145d, 750.145n, 750.233, 750.335a, and 750.411h; a misdemeanor 8 conviction of section 6 of 1979 PA 53, MCL 752.796; or a 9 10 misdemeanor conviction for violation of a substantially similar law 11 of another state, of a political subdivision of this state or 12 another state, or of the United States.

13 (7) Within 30 days after receiving a proper request by a 14 school district, intermediate school district, public school 15 academy, or nonpublic school for a criminal history check and 16 criminal records check on an individual under this section, the 17 criminal records division of the department of state police shall 18 do both of the following:

19 (a) Conduct the criminal history check and, after conducting 20 the criminal history check and within that time period, provide a 21 report of the results of the criminal history check to the 22 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school. The report 23 shall contain any criminal history record information on the 24 individual that is maintained by the criminal records division of 25 the department of state police. A school district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school that 26 27 receives a report from the department of state police under this

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subdivision shall retain that report in the individual's employment
 records.

3 (b) Initiate the criminal records check through the federal 4 bureau of investigation. After conducting the criminal records 5 check required under this section for a school district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic 6 school, the criminal records division of the department of state 7 police shall provide the results of the criminal records check to 8 9 the district, public school academy, or nonpublic school. A school district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or 10 11 nonpublic school that receives results from the department of state 12 police under this subdivision shall retain those results in the 13 individual's employment records.

(8) If the results received by a school district, intermediate 14 school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school under 15 subsection (7), or a report received under section 1230a, 1230d(7), 16 17 1535a(15), or 1539b(15), disclose that an individual has been convicted of a listed offense, then the school district, 18 19 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic 20 school shall take steps to verify that information using public 21 records and, if the information is verified using public records, 22 shall not employ the individual in any capacity, as provided under 23 section 1230c, and shall not allow the individual to regularly and 24 continuously work under contract in any of its schools. If the results received by a school district, intermediate school 25 26 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school under 27 subsection (7), or a report received under section 1230a, 1230d(7),

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1535a(15), or 1539b(15), disclose that an individual has been 1 2 convicted of a felony other than a listed offense, then the school district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or 3 4 nonpublic school shall take steps to verify that information using 5 public records and, if the information is verified using public records, shall not employ the individual in any capacity or allow 6 the individual to regularly and continuously work under contract in 7 any of its schools unless the superintendent or chief administrator 8 and the governing board or governing body, if any, of the school 9 district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or 10 11 nonpublic school each specifically approves the employment or work 12 assignment in writing. If a school district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school receives 13 14 results described in this subsection, within 60 days after receiving those results the school district, intermediate school 15 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school shall submit 16 17 to the department in the form and manner prescribed by the department a report detailing the information received and any 18 19 action taken as a result by the school district, intermediate 20 school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school. The 21 department shall maintain a copy of this report for at least 6 22 years.

(9) If the criminal history check and criminal records check
required under this section have been completed for a particular
individual and the results reported to a school district,
intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic
school as provided under this section, then another criminal

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history check or criminal records check is not required under this 1 2 section for that individual as long as the individual remains employed with no separation from service by any school district, 3 4 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic 5 school in this state or remains regularly and continuously working under contract with no separation from service for the same 6 employer in any school district, intermediate school district, 7 public school academy, or nonpublic school in this state. For the 8 purposes of this subsection, an employee is not considered to have 9 a separation from service in any of the following circumstances: 10

(a) The employee is laid off or placed on a leave of absence by his or her employer and returns to active employment with the same employer within 1 year after being laid off or placed on the leave of absence.

(b) The employee transfers to another school district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school and remains continuously employed by any school district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school in this state.

20 (10) Subsection (1) does not apply to an individual who is an 21 employee or is assigned to regularly and continuously work under contract in a school of a school district, intermediate school 22 23 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school if the 24 individual is not more than 19 years of age and is enrolled as a general education pupil of a school district, intermediate school 25 26 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school or is not more 27 than 26 years of age and is enrolled in special education programs

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or services in a school district, intermediate school district, 1 2 public school academy, or nonpublic school. However, the school district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or 3 4 nonpublic school shall perform a criminal history check on that person using the department of state police's internet criminal 5 history access tool (ICHAT). If a search of the department of state 6 police's ICHAT reveals that the individual has been convicted of a 7 listed offense, then the school district, intermediate school 8 9 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school shall take steps to verify that information using public records and, if the 10 11 information is verified using public records, shall not employ the 12 individual in any capacity, as provided under section 1230c, and shall not allow the individual to regularly and continuously work 13 under contract in any of its schools. If a search of the department 14 of state police's ICHAT reveals that the individual has been 15 convicted of a felony other than a listed offense, then the school 16 district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or 17 nonpublic school shall take steps to verify that information using 18 public records and, if the information is verified using public 19 20 records, shall not employ the individual in any capacity or allow the individual to regularly and continuously work under contract in 21 any of its schools unless the superintendent or chief administrator 22 23 and the board or governing body of the school district,

24 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic 25 school each specifically approves the employment or work assignment 26 in writing.

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(11) For the purposes of subsections (8) and (10), the

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department shall make available to school districts, intermediate
 school districts, public school academies, and nonpublic schools
 information on how to verify a conviction using public records.

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(12) As used in this section:

5 (a) "At school" means in a classroom, elsewhere on school
6 property, or on a school bus or other school-related vehicle.

7 (b) "Felony" means that term as defined in section 1 of
8 chapter I of the code of criminal procedure, 1927 PA 175, MCL
9 761.1.

10 (c) "Listed offense" means that term as defined in section 2
11 of the sex offenders registration act, 1994 PA 295, MCL 28.722.

12 (d) "Regularly and continuously work under contract" means any13 of the following:

14 (i) To work at school on a more than intermittent or sporadic
15 basis as an owner or employee of an entity that has a contract with
16 a school district, intermediate school district, public school
17 academy, or nonpublic school to provide food, custodial,
18 transportation, counseling, or administrative services, or to
19 provide instructional services to pupils or related and auxiliary
20 services to special education pupils.

(ii) To work at school on a more than intermittent or sporadic basis as an individual under a contract with a school district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school to provide food, custodial, transportation, counseling, or administrative services, or to provide instructional services to pupils or related and auxiliary services to special education pupils.

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- 1 (e) "School property" means that term as defined in section 33