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SENATE BILL No. 1350

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A bill to require certain background checks for certain public school employees, applicants for employment, and contractors; to provide for disclosure of certain records and reports; to provide for certain powers and duties of certain state and local officials; and to require certain reports and disclosures and prescribe penalties.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 1. As used in this act:

- (a) "At the school" means in a classroom at the school, elsewhere on school property, or on a school bus or other school-related vehicle under the control of the school.
- (b) "Criminal history record information" means that term as defined in section 1a of 1925 PA 289, MCL 28.241a.
 - (c) "Department" means the department of education.

- 1 (d) "Felony" means that term as defined in section 1 of
- 2 chapter I of the code of criminal procedure, 1927 PA 175, MCL
- **3** 761.1.
- 4 (e) "Listed offense" means that term as defined in section 2
- 5 of the sex offenders registration act, 1994 PA 295, MCL 28.722.
- 6 (f) "Regularly and continuously work under contract" means any
- 7 of the following:
- 8 (i) To work at the school on a more than intermittent or
- 9 sporadic basis as an owner or employee of an entity that has a
- 10 contract with the school to provide food, custodial,
- 11 transportation, counseling, or administrative services, or to
- 12 provide instructional services to pupils or related and auxiliary
- 13 services to special education pupils.
- 14 (ii) To work at the school on a more than intermittent or
- 15 sporadic basis as an individual under a contract with the school to
- 16 provide food, custodial, transportation, counseling, or
- 17 administrative services, or to provide instructional services to
- 18 pupils or related and auxiliary services to special education
- 19 pupils.
- 20 (g) "Revised school code" means the revised school code, 1976
- 21 PA 451, MCL 380.1 to 380.1852.
- (h) "School" means the Michigan schools for the deaf and
- 23 blind.
- (i) "School employer" means the school or a school district,
- 25 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic
- 26 school, as those terms are defined under the revised school code.
- 27 (j) "School property" means a building, facility, structure,

- 1 or real property owned, leased, or otherwise controlled by the
- 2 school, other than a building, facility, structure, or real
- 3 property that is no longer in use on a permanent or continuous
- 4 basis, to which either of the following applies:
- 5 (i) It is used to impart educational instruction.
- 6 (ii) It is for use by students not more than 19 years of age
- 7 for sports or other recreational activities.
- 8 Sec. 3. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, upon
- 9 an offer of initial employment being made by the school to an
- 10 individual for any full-time or part-time employment or when school
- 11 officials learn that an individual is being assigned to regularly
- 12 and continuously work under contract at the school, the school
- 13 shall request from the criminal records division of the department
- 14 of state police a criminal history check on the individual and,
- 15 before employing the individual as a regular employee or allowing
- 16 the individual to regularly and continuously work under contract at
- 17 the school, shall have received from the department of state police
- 18 the report described in subsection (8).
- 19 (2) If the school administrator of the school determines it
- 20 necessary to hire an individual or to allow an individual to
- 21 regularly and continuously work under contract for a particular
- 22 school year during that school year or within 30 days before the
- 23 beginning of that school year, the school may employ the individual
- 24 as a conditional employee or conditionally allow the individual to
- 25 regularly and continuously work under contract under this
- 26 subsection without first receiving the report described in
- 27 subsection (8) if all of the following apply:

- 1 (a) The school requests the criminal history check required
- 2 under subsection (1) before conditionally employing the individual
- 3 or conditionally allowing the individual to regularly and
- 4 continuously work under contract at the school.
- 5 (b) The individual signs a statement identifying all crimes
- 6 for which he or she has been convicted, if any, and agreeing that,
- 7 if the report described in subsection (8) is not the same as the
- 8 individual's statement, his or her employment contract is voidable
- 9 at the option of the school. The school shall use the model form
- 10 developed by the department of education under section 1230 of the
- 11 revised school code, MCL 380.1230, for the purposes of this
- 12 subsection.
- 13 (3) If an individual is employed as a conditional employee
- 14 under subsection (2) and the report described in subsection (8) is
- 15 not the same as the individual's statement under subsection (2),
- 16 the school may void the individual's employment contract. If an
- 17 employment contract is voided under this subsection, the
- 18 individual's employment is terminated, a collective bargaining
- 19 agreement that would otherwise apply to the individual's employment
- 20 does not apply to the termination, and the school or this state is
- 21 not liable for the termination.
- 22 (4) For an applicant for a position as a substitute teacher,
- 23 or for an individual who regularly and continuously works under
- 24 contract at more than 1 school employer, if the applicant or
- 25 individual agrees in writing to allow another school employer that
- 26 has received a report of the results of a criminal history check
- 27 conducted on the applicant or individual under the revised school

- 1 code to share the results of the criminal history check with the
- 2 school, then instead of requesting a criminal history check under
- 3 subsection (1), the school may use a report received by another
- 4 school employer or maintained by the department to confirm that the
- 5 applicant or individual does not have any criminal history. If that
- 6 confirmation is not available, subsection (1) applies to the
- 7 applicant or individual.
- 8 (5) If an applicant is being considered for employment by more
- 9 than 1 school employer and if the applicant agrees in writing to
- 10 allow a school employer to share the report described in subsection
- 11 (8) with another school employer, the school may satisfy the
- 12 requirements of subsection (1) by obtaining a copy of the report
- 13 described in subsection (8) from another school employer.
- 14 (6) An applicant for employment shall give written consent at
- 15 the time of application for the criminal records division of the
- 16 department of state police to conduct the criminal history check
- 17 required under this section.
- 18 (7) The school shall make a request to the criminal records
- 19 division of the department of state police for a criminal history
- 20 check required under this section on a form and in a manner
- 21 prescribed by the criminal records division of the department of
- 22 state police.
- 23 (8) Within 30 days after receiving a proper request by the
- 24 school for a criminal history check on an individual under this
- 25 section, the criminal records division of the department of state
- 26 police shall conduct the criminal history check and, after
- 27 conducting the criminal history check and within that time period,

- 1 provide a report of the results of the criminal history check to
- 2 the school. The report shall contain any criminal history record
- 3 information on the individual maintained by the criminal records
- 4 division of the department of state police. The school shall retain
- 5 that report in the individual's employment records.
- 6 (9) If the criminal history check required under this section
- 7 has been completed for a particular individual and the results
- 8 reported to the school as provided under this section, then another
- 9 criminal history check is not required under this section for that
- 10 individual as long as the individual remains employed with no
- 11 separation from service by any school employer in this state or
- 12 remains regularly and continuously working under contract with no
- 13 separation from service for the same employer at any school
- 14 employer in this state. For the purposes of this subsection, an
- 15 employee is not considered to have a separation from service in any
- 16 of the following circumstances:
- 17 (a) The employee is laid off or placed on a leave of absence
- 18 by his or her employer and returns to active employment with the
- 19 same employer within 1 year after being laid off or placed on the
- 20 leave of absence.
- 21 (b) The employee transfers to another school employer and
- 22 remains continuously employed by any school employer in this state.
- 23 (10) If an individual described in subsection (9) is an
- 24 applicant for employment by another school employer than the one
- 25 that originally received the results of the criminal history check
- 26 or that currently is in possession of the results of the criminal
- 27 history check, or is being assigned to regularly and continuously

- 1 work under contract at a different school employer than the one
- 2 that originally received the results of the criminal history check
- 3 or that currently is in possession of the results of the criminal
- 4 history check, then all of the following apply:
- 5 (a) If the results of the individual's criminal history check
- 6 have not already been forwarded to the new school employer, the new
- 7 school employer shall request the school employer that has the
- 8 results to forward them to the new school employer. Upon receipt of
- 9 such a request, a school employer that has the results shall
- 10 forward them to the requesting school employer.
- 11 (b) If the results of the individual's criminal history check
- 12 are not received by the new school employer under this subsection
- 13 or otherwise, then this section applies to the individual to the
- 14 same extent as if he or she has had a separation from service.
- 15 (c) If the results of the individual's criminal history check
- 16 are received by the new school employer under this subsection or
- 17 otherwise, then that school employer shall perform a criminal
- 18 history check on that individual using the department of state
- 19 police's internet criminal history access tool (ICHAT), ensuring
- 20 that this criminal history check is based on the personal
- 21 identifying information, including at least the individual's name,
- 22 sex, and date of birth, that was associated with the results
- 23 received from the previous school employer.
- (d) If the search of the department of state police's ICHAT
- 25 under subdivision (c) reveals that the individual has been
- 26 convicted of a listed offense, then the school employer shall take
- 27 steps to verify that information using public records and, if the

- 1 information is verified using public records, shall not employ the
- 2 individual in any capacity and shall not allow the individual to
- 3 regularly and continuously work under contract at any of its
- 4 schools. If a search of the department of state police's ICHAT
- 5 under subdivision (c) reveals that the individual has been
- 6 convicted of a felony other than a listed offense, then the school
- 7 employer shall take steps to verify that information using public
- 8 records and, if the information is verified using public records,
- 9 shall not employ the individual in any capacity or allow the
- 10 individual to regularly and continuously work under contract at any
- 11 of its schools unless the superintendent or chief administrator and
- 12 the board or governing body, if any, of the school employer each
- 13 specifically approves the employment or work assignment in writing.
- 14 (11) Subsection (1) does not apply to an individual who is
- 15 being employed by or assigned to regularly and continuously work
- 16 under contract at the school if the individual is not more than 26
- 17 years of age and is enrolled in special education programs or
- 18 services at the school. However, before employing the individual or
- 19 assigning the individual to regularly and continuously work under
- 20 contract at the school, the school shall perform a criminal history
- 21 check on that person using the department of state police's
- 22 internet criminal history access tool (ICHAT). If a search of the
- 23 department of state police's ICHAT reveals that the individual has
- 24 been convicted of a listed offense, then the school administrator
- 25 of the school shall take steps to verify that information using
- 26 public records and, if the information is verified using public
- 27 records, the school shall not employ the individual in any capacity

- 1 and shall not allow the individual to regularly and continuously
- 2 work under contract at the school. If a search of the department of
- 3 state police's ICHAT reveals that the individual has been convicted
- 4 of a felony other than a listed offense, then the school shall take
- 5 steps to verify that information using public records and, if the
- 6 information is verified using public records, the school shall not
- 7 employ the individual in any capacity or allow the individual to
- 8 regularly and continuously work under contract at the school unless
- 9 the school administrator of the school and the superintendent of
- 10 public instruction each specifically approves the employment or
- 11 work assignment in writing.
- 12 (12) For the purposes of subsection (11), the department shall
- 13 provide to the school information on how to verify a conviction
- 14 using public records.
- 15 Sec. 5. (1) In addition to the criminal history check required
- 16 under section 3, the school shall request the department of state
- 17 police to conduct a criminal records check through the federal
- 18 bureau of investigation on an applicant for, or an individual who
- 19 is hired for, any full-time or part-time employment or who is
- 20 assigned to regularly and continuously work under contract at the
- 21 school. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the school
- 22 shall not employ an individual or allow an individual to regularly
- 23 and continuously work under contract at the school until after the
- 24 school receives the results of the criminal records check. When
- 25 requesting a criminal records check under this section, the school
- 26 shall require the individual to submit his or her fingerprints to
- 27 the department of state police for that purpose. The department of

- 1 state police may charge a fee for conducting the criminal records
- 2 check. Subject to section 7, the school shall require an individual
- 3 to submit his or her fingerprints for the purposes of this section
- 4 only at the time the individual initially applies for employment
- 5 with the school or is initially employed by the school or is
- 6 initially assigned to regularly and continuously work under
- 7 contract at the school.
- 8 (2) If the school administrator of the school determines it
- 9 necessary to hire an individual or to allow an individual to
- 10 regularly and continuously work under contract for a particular
- 11 school year during that school year or within 30 days before the
- 12 beginning of that school year, the school may employ the individual
- 13 as a conditional employee or conditionally allow the individual to
- 14 regularly and continuously work under contract under this
- 15 subsection without first receiving the results of the criminal
- 16 records check under subsection (1) if all of the following apply:
- 17 (a) The school requests the criminal records check under
- 18 subsection (1) before conditionally employing the individual or
- 19 conditionally allowing the individual to regularly and continuously
- 20 work under contract at the school.
- 21 (b) The individual signs a statement identifying all crimes
- 22 for which he or she has been convicted, if any, and agreeing that,
- 23 if the results of the criminal records check under subsection (1)
- 24 reveal information that is inconsistent with the individual's
- 25 statement, his or her employment contract is voidable at the option
- 26 of the school. The school shall use the model form developed by the
- 27 department of education under section 1230a of the revised school

- 1 code, MCL 380.1230a, for the purposes of this subsection.
- 2 (3) If an individual is employed as a conditional employee
- 3 under subsection (2) and the results of the criminal records check
- 4 under subsection (1) reveal information that is inconsistent with
- 5 the individual's statement under subsection (2), the school may
- 6 void the individual's employment contract. If an employment
- 7 contract is voided under this subsection, the individual's
- 8 employment is terminated, a collective bargaining agreement that
- 9 would otherwise apply to the individual's employment does not apply
- 10 to the termination, and the school or this state is not liable for
- 11 the termination.
- 12 (4) For an applicant for a position as a substitute teacher,
- 13 or for an individual who regularly and continuously works under
- 14 contract at more than 1 school employer, if the applicant or
- 15 individual agrees in writing to allow another school employer that
- 16 has received the results of a criminal records check conducted on
- 17 the applicant or individual under the revised school code to share
- 18 the results of the criminal records check with the school, then
- 19 instead of requesting a criminal records check under subsection
- 20 (1), the school may use results received by another school employer
- 21 or maintained by the department to confirm that the applicant or
- 22 individual does not have any criminal history. If that confirmation
- 23 is not available, subsection (1) applies to the applicant or
- 24 individual.
- 25 (5) If an applicant is being considered for employment by more
- 26 than 1 school employer and if the applicant agrees in writing to
- 27 allow a school employer to share the results of the criminal

- 1 history check with another school employer, the school may satisfy
- 2 the requirements of subsection (1) by obtaining a copy of the
- 3 results of the criminal history check from another school employer.
- 4 (6) An applicant for employment shall give written consent at
- 5 the time of application for the criminal records division of the
- 6 department of state police to conduct the criminal records check
- 7 required under this section.
- 8 (7) The school shall make a request to the department of state
- 9 police for a criminal records check under this section on a form
- 10 and in a manner prescribed by the department of state police.
- 11 (8) Within 30 days after receiving a proper request by the
- 12 school for a criminal records check on an individual under this
- 13 section, the criminal records division of the department of state
- 14 police shall initiate the criminal records check through the
- 15 federal bureau of investigation. After conducting the criminal
- 16 records check required under this section for the school, the
- 17 criminal records division of the department of state police shall
- 18 provide the results of the criminal records check to the school.
- 19 The school shall retain those results in the individual's
- 20 employment records.
- 21 (9) If the criminal records check required under this section
- 22 has been completed for a particular individual and the results
- 23 reported to the school as provided under this section, then another
- 24 criminal records check is not required under this section for that
- 25 individual as long as the individual remains employed with no
- 26 separation from service by any school employer in this state or
- 27 remains regularly and continuously working under contract with no

- 1 separation from service for the same employer at any school
- 2 employer in this state. For the purposes of this subsection, an
- 3 employee is not considered to have a separation from service in any
- 4 of the following circumstances:
- 5 (a) The employee is laid off or placed on a leave of absence
- 6 by his or her employer and returns to active employment with the
- 7 same employer within 1 year after being laid off or placed on the
- 8 leave of absence.
- 9 (b) The employee transfers to another school employer and
- 10 remains continuously employed by any school employer in this state.
- 11 (10) If an individual described in subsection (9) is an
- 12 applicant for employment by another school employer than the one
- 13 that originally received the results of the criminal records check
- 14 or that currently is in possession of the results of the criminal
- 15 records check, or is being assigned to regularly and continuously
- 16 work under contract at a different school employer than the one
- 17 that originally received the results of the criminal records check
- 18 or that currently is in possession of the results of the criminal
- 19 records check, then all of the following apply:
- 20 (a) If the results of the individual's criminal records check
- 21 have not already been forwarded to the new school employer, the new
- 22 school employer shall request the school employer that has the
- 23 results to forward them to the new school employer. Upon receipt of
- 24 such a request, a school employer that has the results shall
- 25 forward them to the requesting school employer.
- 26 (b) If the results of the individual's criminal records check
- 27 are not received by the new school employer under this subsection

or otherwise, then this section applies to the individual to the 1 2 same extent as if he or she has had a separation from service. 3 (11) Subsection (1) does not apply to an individual who is 4 being employed by or assigned to regularly and continuously work 5 under contract at the school if the individual is not more than 26 6 years of age and is enrolled in special education programs or services at the school. However, before employing the individual or 7 assigning the individual to regularly and continuously work under 8 9 contract at the school, the school shall perform a criminal history 10 check on that person using the department of state police's 11 internet criminal history access tool (ICHAT). If a search of the 12 department of state police's ICHAT reveals that the individual has 13 been convicted of a listed offense, then the school administrator 14 of the school shall take steps to verify that information using 15 public records and, if the information is verified using public 16 records, the school shall not employ the individual in any capacity 17 and shall not allow the individual to regularly and continuously 18 work under contract at the school. If a search of the department of 19 state police's ICHAT reveals that the individual has been convicted 20 of a felony other than a listed offense, then the school shall take 21 steps to verify that information using public records and, if the 22 information is verified using public records, the school shall not 23 employ the individual in any capacity or allow the individual to 24 regularly and continuously work under contract at the school unless the school administrator of the school and the superintendent of 25 26 public instruction each specifically approves the employment or 27 work assignment in writing.

- 1 (12) For the purposes of subsection (11), the department shall
- 2 provide to the school information on how to verify a conviction
- 3 using public records.
- 4 Sec. 7. (1) Not later than July 1, 2008, the school shall do
- 5 both of the following for each individual who, as of March 1, 2008,
- 6 is either a full-time or part-time employee of the school or is
- 7 assigned to regularly and continuously work under contract at the
- 8 school and who either is still a full-time or part-time employee of
- 9 the school on the date that the criminal history and criminal
- 10 records checks under this section are initiated or is still
- 11 assigned to regularly and continuously work under contract at the
- 12 school on the date that the criminal history and criminal records
- 13 checks under this section are initiated:
- 14 (a) Request from the criminal records division of the
- 15 department of state police a criminal history check on the
- 16 individual.
- 17 (b) Request the department of state police to conduct a
- 18 criminal records check on the individual through the federal bureau
- 19 of investigation. The school shall require the individual to submit
- 20 his or her fingerprints to the department of state police for the
- 21 purposes of this subdivision. The department of state police may
- 22 charge a fee for conducting the criminal records check.
- 23 (2) For an individual employed or regularly and continuously
- 24 working under contract as a substitute teacher at the school, or
- 25 for an individual who regularly and continuously works under
- 26 contract at more than 1 school employer, if the individual agrees
- 27 in writing to allow another school employer to share with the

- 1 school the results of a criminal history check or criminal records
- 2 check conducted on the individual under the revised school code,
- 3 then instead of requesting a criminal history check and criminal
- 4 records check under subsection (1), the school may use results
- 5 received by another school employer to confirm that the individual
- 6 does not have any criminal history. Alternatively, the school may
- 7 use results maintained by the department to confirm that the
- 8 individual does not have any criminal history. If confirmation is
- 9 not available from any of these sources, subsection (1) applies to
- 10 the individual.
- 11 (3) If an individual described in subsection (1) is employed
- 12 by or regularly and continuously working under contract at more
- 13 than 1 school employer and if the individual agrees in writing to
- 14 allow a school employer to share the results of the criminal
- 15 history check and criminal records check with another school
- 16 employer, then the school may satisfy the requirements of
- 17 subsection (1) by obtaining a copy of the results of the criminal
- 18 history check and criminal records check from another school
- 19 employer.
- 20 (4) An individual described in subsection (1) shall give
- 21 written consent for the criminal records division of the department
- 22 of state police to conduct the criminal history check and criminal
- 23 records check required under this section and shall submit his or
- 24 her fingerprints to the department of state police for the purposes
- 25 of the criminal records check. If an individual does not comply
- 26 with this subsection or otherwise fails to cooperate with the
- 27 school as it is seeking to comply with subsection (1) concerning

- 1 the individual, then the school shall not employ the individual in
- 2 any capacity and shall not allow the individual to regularly and
- 3 continuously work under contract at the school.
- 4 (5) The school shall make a request to the department of state
- 5 police for the criminal history check and criminal records check
- 6 under this section on a form and in a manner prescribed by the
- 7 department of state police.
- 8 (6) Within 30 days after receiving a proper request by the
- 9 school for a criminal history check and criminal records check on
- 10 an individual under this section, the criminal records division of
- 11 the department of state police shall do both of the following:
- 12 (a) Conduct the criminal history check and, after conducting
- 13 the criminal history check and within that time period, provide a
- 14 report of the results of the criminal history check to the school.
- 15 The report shall contain any criminal history record information on
- 16 the individual that is maintained by the criminal records division
- 17 of the department of state police. The school shall retain that
- 18 report in the individual's employment records.
- 19 (b) Initiate the criminal records check through the federal
- 20 bureau of investigation. After conducting the criminal records
- 21 check required under this section for the school, the criminal
- 22 records division of the department of state police shall provide
- 23 the results of the criminal records check to the school. The school
- 24 shall retain those results in the individual's employment records.
- 25 (7) If the criminal history check and criminal records check
- 26 required under this section have been completed for a particular
- 27 individual and the results reported to the school as provided under

- 1 this section, then another criminal history check or criminal
- 2 records check is not required under this section for that
- 3 individual as long as the individual remains employed with no
- 4 separation from service by any school employer in this state or
- 5 remains regularly and continuously working under contract with no
- 6 separation from service at any school employer in this state. For
- 7 the purposes of this subsection, an employee is not considered to
- 8 have a separation from service in any of the following
- 9 circumstances:
- 10 (a) The employee is laid off or placed on a leave of absence
- 11 by his or her employer and returns to active employment with the
- 12 same employer within 1 year after being laid off or placed on the
- 13 leave of absence.
- 14 (b) The employee transfers to another school employer and
- 15 remains continuously employed by any school employer in this state.
- 16 (8) Subsection (1) does not apply to an individual who is
- 17 being employed by or assigned to regularly and continuously work
- 18 under contract at the school if the individual is not more than 26
- 19 years of age and is enrolled in special education programs or
- 20 services at the school. However, before employing the individual or
- 21 assigning the individual to regularly and continuously work under
- 22 contract at the school, the school shall perform a criminal history
- 23 check on that person using the department of state police's
- 24 internet criminal history access tool (ICHAT). If a search of the
- 25 department of state police's ICHAT reveals that the individual has
- 26 been convicted of a listed offense, then the school shall take
- 27 steps to verify that information using public records and, if the

- 1 information is verified using public records, the school shall not
- 2 employ the individual in any capacity, as provided under section 9,
- 3 and shall not allow the individual to regularly and continuously
- 4 work under contract at the school. If a search of the department of
- 5 state police's ICHAT reveals that the individual has been convicted
- 6 of a felony other than a listed offense, then the school shall take
- 7 steps to verify that information using public records and, if the
- 8 information is verified using public records, the school shall not
- 9 employ the individual in any capacity or allow the individual to
- 10 regularly and continuously work under contract at the school unless
- 11 the school administrator of the school and the superintendent of
- 12 public instruction each specifically approves the employment or
- 13 work assignment in writing.
- 14 (9) For the purposes of subsection (8), the department shall
- 15 provide to the school information on how to verify a conviction
- 16 using public records.
- 17 Sec. 9. (1) If a report received by the school under section
- 18 3(8), 5(8), or 7(6) discloses that an individual has been convicted
- 19 of a listed offense, then the school shall take steps to verify
- 20 that information using public records and, if the information is
- 21 verified, the school shall not employ the individual in any
- 22 capacity and shall not allow the individual to regularly and
- 23 continuously work under contract at the school. If a report
- 24 received by the school under section 3(8), 5(8), or 7(6) discloses
- 25 that an individual has been convicted of a felony other than a
- 26 listed offense, then the school shall take steps to verify that
- 27 information using public records and, if the information is

- 1 verified using public records, the school shall not employ the
- 2 individual in any capacity or allow the individual to regularly and
- 3 continuously work under contract at any of its schools unless the
- 4 school administrator of the school and the superintendent of public
- 5 instruction each specifically approves the employment or work
- 6 assignment in writing. If the school receives results described in
- 7 this subsection, within 60 days after receiving those results the
- 8 school shall submit to the department in the form and manner
- 9 prescribed by the department a report detailing the information and
- 10 any action taken as a result by the school. The department shall
- 11 maintain a copy of this report for at least 6 years.
- 12 (2) For the purposes of subsection (1) and section 13, the
- 13 department shall make available to the school information on how to
- 14 verify a conviction using public records.
- 15 Sec. 11. (1) Criminal history record information received from
- 16 the criminal records division of the department of state police
- 17 under section 3 or 7 or results of a criminal records check under
- 18 section 5 or 7 shall be used by the school only for the purpose of
- 19 evaluating an individual's qualifications for employment or
- 20 assignment in the position for which he or she has applied or been
- 21 assigned. Except as otherwise provided under this act, an employee
- 22 or official of the school or of the department shall not disclose
- 23 the report or its contents received under this act, except a
- 24 misdemeanor conviction involving sexual or physical abuse or any
- 25 felony conviction, to any person who is not directly involved in
- 26 evaluating the individual's qualifications for employment or
- 27 assignment. However, for the purposes of section 3(4), (5), and

- 1 (11), section 5(4), (5), and (11), or section 7(2) and (3), a
- 2 person described in this subsection may provide a copy of the
- 3 results received under this section concerning the individual to an
- 4 appropriate representative of another school employer. For an
- 5 individual who is regularly and continuously working under
- 6 contract, if the individual agrees in writing, the school may
- 7 provide a copy of the results received under this section
- 8 concerning the individual to an appropriate representative of the
- 9 individual's employer. A representative of the individual's
- 10 employer who receives a copy of a report, or receives results of a
- 11 report from another source as authorized by this subsection, shall
- 12 not disclose the report or its contents or the results of the
- 13 report to any person outside of the employer's business or to any
- 14 of the employer's personnel who are not directly involved in
- 15 evaluating the individual's qualifications for employment or
- 16 assignment. A person who violates this section is guilty of a
- 17 misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than \$10,000.00.
- 18 (2) As used in this section, "misdemeanor conviction involving
- 19 sexual or physical abuse" includes, but is not limited to, a
- 20 misdemeanor conviction for a listed offense; a misdemeanor
- 21 conviction for violation of section 617a of the Michigan vehicle
- 22 code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.617a; a misdemeanor conviction for
- 23 violation of section 701 of the Michigan liquor control code of
- 24 1998, 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1701; a misdemeanor conviction for
- 25 violation of section 81, 81a, 81c, 90c, 136b, 141a, 145, 145d,
- 26 145n, 233, 335a, or 411h of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328,
- 27 MCL 750.81, 750.81a, 750.81c, 750.90c, 750.136b, 750.141a, 750.145,

- 1 750.145d, 750.145n, 750.233, 750.335a, and 750.411h; a misdemeanor
- 2 conviction of section 6 of 1979 PA 53, MCL 752.796; or a
- 3 misdemeanor conviction for violation of a substantially similar law
- 4 of another state, of a political subdivision of this state or
- 5 another state, or of the United States.
- 6 Sec. 13. If a school official of the school has notice from an
- 7 authoritative source that an individual has been convicted of a
- 8 listed offense, the school administrator of the school shall take
- 9 steps to verify that information using public records and, if the
- 10 information is verified using public records, the school shall not
- 11 employ that individual in any capacity or allow that person to
- 12 regularly and continuously work under contract at the school. If
- 13 the school receives notice described in this subsection, within 60
- 14 days after receiving that notice the school shall submit to the
- 15 department in the form and manner prescribed by the department a
- 16 report detailing the information received and any action taken as a
- 17 result by the school. The department shall maintain a copy of this
- 18 report for at least 6 years.
- 19 Sec. 15. (1) If a person who is employed in any capacity by
- 20 the school, who has applied for a position with the school and has
- 21 had an initial criminal history check under section 3 or criminal
- 22 records check under section 5, or who is regularly and continuously
- 23 working under contract at the school is charged with a crime listed
- 24 in section 1535a(1) or 1539b(1) of the revised school code, MCL
- 25 380.1535a and 380.1539b, or a violation of a substantially similar
- 26 law of another state, a political subdivision of this state or
- 27 another state, or of the United States, the person shall report to

- 1 the department and to the school that he or she has been charged
- 2 with the crime. All of the following apply to this reporting
- 3 requirement:
- 4 (a) The person shall make the report on a form prescribed by
- 5 the department.
- 6 (b) The person shall submit the report to the department and
- 7 to the school administrator of the school.
- 8 (c) The person shall submit the report within 3 business days
- 9 after being arraigned for the crime.
- 10 (2) If a person who is employed in any capacity by or is
- 11 regularly and continuously working under contract at the school
- 12 enters a plea of guilty or no contest to or is the subject of a
- 13 finding of guilt by a judge or jury of any crime after having been
- 14 initially charged with a crime described in section 1535a(1) or
- 15 1539b(1) of the revised school code, MCL 380.1535a and 380.1539b,
- 16 then the person immediately shall disclose to the court, on a form
- 17 prescribed by the state court administrative office, that he or she
- 18 is employed by or regularly and continuously working under contract
- 19 at the school. The person shall immediately provide a copy of the
- 20 form to the prosecuting attorney in charge of the case, to the
- 21 superintendent of public instruction, and to the school
- 22 administrator of the school.
- 23 (3) A person who violates subsection (1) or (2) is guilty of a
- 24 crime, as follows:
- 25 (a) If the person violates either subsection (1) or (2) and
- 26 the crime involved in the violation is a misdemeanor that is a
- 27 listed offense or is a felony, the person is guilty of a felony

- 1 punishable by imprisonment for not more than 2 years or a fine of
- 2 not more than \$2,000.00, or both.
- 3 (b) If the person violates either subsection (1) or (2) and
- 4 the crime involved in the violation is a misdemeanor that is not a
- 5 listed offense, the person is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by
- 6 imprisonment for not more than 1 year or a fine of not more than
- 7 \$1,000.00, or both.
- **8** (4) A person who violates subsection (1) or (2) may be
- 9 discharged from his or her employment or have his or her contract
- 10 terminated. If the school administrator of the school finds, after
- 11 providing notice and the opportunity for a hearing, that a person
- 12 employed by the school has violated subsection (1) or (2), the
- 13 school may discharge the person from his or her employment.
- 14 However, if a collective bargaining agreement that applies to the
- 15 affected person is in effect as of May 1, 2008, and if that
- 16 collective bargaining agreement is not in compliance with this
- 17 subsection, then this subsection does not apply until after the
- 18 expiration of that collective bargaining agreement.
- 19 (5) If a person submits a report that he or she has been
- 20 charged with a crime, as required under subsection (1), and the
- 21 person is subsequently not convicted of any crime after the
- 22 completion of judicial proceedings resulting from that charge, then
- 23 the person may request the department and the school to delete the
- 24 report from its records concerning the person. Upon receipt of the
- 25 request from the person and of documentation verifying that the
- 26 person was not convicted of any crime after the completion of
- 27 judicial proceedings resulting from that charge, the department or

- 1 the school shall delete the report from its records concerning the
- 2 person.
- 3 (6) If the prosecuting attorney in charge of a case receives a
- 4 form as provided under subsection (2), the prosecuting attorney
- 5 shall notify the superintendent of public instruction and the
- 6 school administrator of the school by forwarding a copy of the form
- 7 to each of them not later than 7 days after receiving the form. If
- 8 the court receives a form as provided under subsection (2), the
- 9 court shall notify the superintendent of public instruction and the
- 10 school administrator of the school by forwarding to each of them a
- 11 copy of the form and information regarding the sentence imposed on
- 12 the person not later than 7 days after the date of sentencing, even
- 13 if the court is maintaining the file as a nonpublic record.
- 14 (7) If the school receives a report under this section of a
- 15 conviction, within 60 days after receiving the report the school
- 16 shall submit to the department in the form and manner prescribed by
- 17 the department a report detailing the information received and any
- 18 action taken as a result by the school. The department shall
- 19 maintain a copy of this report for at least 6 years.
- Sec. 17. (1) A record prepared by a state agency under this
- 21 act is exempt from disclosure under the freedom of information act,
- 22 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.231 to 15.246. However, subject to subsections
- 23 (2) and (3), a record described in this subsection is only exempt
- 24 from disclosure as provided in this subsection until the expiration
- 25 of 15 business days after the date the record is received by the
- 26 school.
- 27 (2) If information described in subsection (1) is determined

- 1 during the 15-business-day exemption period to be inaccurate, then
- 2 that information is exempt from disclosure under the freedom of
- 3 information act, 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.231 to 15.246.
- 4 (3) After the 15-business-day exemption period under
- 5 subsection (1), all of the following apply:
- 6 (a) A state agency shall disclose information in a record
- 7 described in subsection (1) if the information concerns a
- 8 conviction that is the type of conviction that is allowed to be
- 9 disclosed to the public under section 11.
- 10 (b) If the information concerns a type of conviction other
- 11 than a conviction described in subdivision (a), the information is
- 12 exempt from disclosure under the freedom of information act, 1976
- 13 PA 442, MCL 15.231 to 15.246. However, a state agency shall
- 14 disclose the information to the public upon request, except that
- 15 the state agency shall ensure that the information does not include
- 16 any personal identifying information.
- 17 (4) This section does not affect any other rights, duties, or
- 18 exemptions under the freedom of information act, 1976 PA 442, MCL
- 19 15.231 to 15.246, or under any other law.
- Sec. 19. Not later than July 1, 2008, the department shall
- 21 include in its list of registered educational personnel all
- 22 individuals who are employed by the school and all individuals who
- 23 are assigned to regularly and continuously work under contract at
- 24 the school.
- Sec. 21. The department of information technology shall work
- 26 with the department of state police to establish a system for the
- 27 department of state police to save and maintain in its automated

- 1 fingerprint identification system (AFIS) database all fingerprints
- 2 that are submitted to the department of state police under this
- 3 act. If a criminal arrest fingerprint card is subsequently
- 4 submitted to the department of state police and matches against a
- 5 fingerprint that was submitted under this act and stored in the
- 6 AFIS database, the department of state police shall notify the
- 7 department.

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