HOUSE BILL NO. 5916

March 16, 2022, Introduced by Reps. Steven Johnson, LaGrand, Sowerby, Calley, Aiyash, Bolden, Rabhi, Stone, Kuppa, Brixie, Brenda Carter, Ellison, Hood, Hope, Cambensy, Steenland, Breen, Brann and Yancey and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend 1965 PA 213, entitled

"An act to provide for setting aside the conviction in certain criminal cases; to provide for the effect of such action; to provide for the retention of certain nonpublic records and their use; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain public agencies and officers; and to prescribe penalties,"

by amending section 2 (MCL 780.622), as amended by 2020 PA 193.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 2. (1) Upon the entry of an order under section 1 or 1e,
- 2 or upon the automatic setting aside of a conviction under section
- 3 1g, the applicant, for purposes of the law, is considered not to

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- 1 have been previously convicted, except as provided in this section
- 2 and section 3. The department of the attorney general shall provide
- 3 notice to an individual whose conviction was set aside
- 4 automatically under section 1g. The notice required under this
- 5 subsection must be in writing and provided not later than 45 days
- 6 after the conviction is set aside by mail sent to the individual's
- 7 last known mailing address.
- **8** (2) The applicant is not entitled to the remission of any
- 9 fine, costs, or other money paid as a consequence of a conviction
- 10 that is set aside.
- 11 (3) If the conviction set aside under section 1(1), 1e, or 1g
- 12 is for a listed offense as defined in section 2 of the sex
- 13 offenders registration act, 1994 PA 295, MCL 28.722, the applicant
- 14 is considered to have been convicted of that offense for purposes
- 15 of that act.
- 16 (4) This act does not affect the right of the applicant to
- 17 rely upon the conviction to bar subsequent proceedings for the same
- 18 offense.
- 19 (5) This act does not affect the right of a victim of a crime
- 20 to prosecute or defend a civil action for damages.
- 21 (6) This act does not create a right to commence an action for
- 22 damages for incarceration under the sentence that the applicant
- 23 served before the conviction is set aside under this act.
- 24 (7) This act does not relieve any obligation to pay
- 25 restitution owed to the victim of a crime nor does it affect the
- 26 jurisdiction of the convicting court or the authority of any court
- 27 order with regard to enforcing an order for restitution.
- 28 (8) A conviction, including any records relating to the
- 29 conviction and any records concerning a collateral action, that has

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- 1 been set aside under this act cannot be used as evidence in an
- 2 action for negligent hiring, admission, or licensure against any
- 3 person.
- 4 (9) A conviction that is set aside under section 1, 1e, or 1g
- 5 may be considered a prior conviction by court, law enforcement
- 6 agency, prosecuting attorney, or the attorney general, as
- 7 applicable, for purposes of charging a crime as a second or
- 8 subsequent offense or for sentencing under sections 10, 11, and 12
- 9 of chapter IX of the code of criminal procedure, 1927 PA 175, MCL
- 10 769.10, 769.11, and 769.12.
- 11 (10) As used in this section, "applicant" includes an
- 12 individual who has applied under this act to have his or her
- 13 conviction or convictions set aside and an individual whose
- 14 conviction or convictions have been set aside without an
- 15 application under section 1q.