

HOUSE BILL NO. 5687

April 25, 2024, Introduced by Reps. Wendzel, Aragona, DeBoyer, Harris, Roth, Wozniak and Bezotte and referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice.

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled
"The Michigan penal code,"
(MCL 750.1 to 750.568) by adding section 160d.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 160d. (1) An individual who engages in sexual contact or
2 sexual penetration with a dead human body is guilty of a felony
3 punishable by imprisonment for not more than 20 years or a fine of
4 not more than \$40,000.00, or both.

5 (2) As used in this section:

6 (a) "Sexual contact" includes the intentional touching of a

1 dead human body's or actor's intimate parts or the intentional
2 touching of the clothing covering the immediate area of the dead
3 human body's or actor's intimate parts, if that intentional
4 touching can reasonably be construed as being for the purpose of
5 sexual arousal or gratification, done for a sexual purpose, or in a
6 sexual manner for the following purposes:

7 (i) Revenge.

8 (ii) To inflict humiliation.

9 (iii) Out of anger.

10 (b) "Sexual penetration" means sexual intercourse,
11 cunnilingus, fellatio, anal intercourse, or any other intrusion,
12 however slight, of any part of an individual's body or of any
13 object into the genital or anal openings of a dead human body, but
14 emission of semen is not required.

15 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
16 after the date it is enacted into law.

17 Enacting section 2. This amendatory act may be known as
18 "Melody's Law".