## SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 4635

A bill to amend 1982 PA 295, entitled "Support and parenting time enforcement act," (MCL 552.601 to 552.650) by adding section 5.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 SEC. 5. (1) AN INDIVIDUAL MAY FILE A MOTION FOR RELIEF FROM
- 2 A COURT ORDER THAT STATES THAT THE INDIVIDUAL IS A CHILD'S FATHER
- 3 OR THAT REQUIRES THE INDIVIDUAL TO PAY CHILD SUPPORT. EXCEPT AS
- 4 OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION, THE COURT SHALL VACATE AN
- 5 ORDER STATING AN INDIVIDUAL IS A CHILD'S FATHER OR TERMINATE A
- 6 CHILD SUPPORT ORDER IF THE COURT FINDS BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 7 (A) THE INDIVIDUAL IS NOT THE CHILD'S ADOPTIVE PARENT.
- 8 (B) GENETIC TESTING RESULTS ARE ADMITTED INTO EVIDENCE AND
- 9 THE RESULTS EXCLUDE THE INDIVIDUAL AS THE CHILD'S PARENT.
- 10 (2) THE COURT SHALL NOT GRANT A MOTION FILED UNDER
- 11 SUBSECTION (1) IF THE COURT FINDS THAT THE INDIVIDUAL WHO FILED

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- 1 THE MOTION KNEW OF GENETIC OR BLOOD TESTING RESULTS THAT EXCLUDED
- 2 THE INDIVIDUAL AS THE CHILD'S PARENT MORE THAN 6 MONTHS BEFORE
- 3 THE MOTION WAS FILED AND THE INDIVIDUAL CANNOT SHOW GOOD CAUSE AS
- 4 TO THE FAILURE TO FILE THE MOTION WITHIN 6 MONTHS AFTER OBTAINING
- 5 THE TEST RESULTS.
- 6 (3) THE COURT SHALL NOT GRANT A MOTION UNDER SUBSECTION (1)
- 7 IF THE COURT FINDS THAT, AFTER AN INDIVIDUAL KNOWS THAT HE IS NOT
- 8 A CHILD'S BIOLOGICAL PARENT, ANY OF THE FOLLOWING OCCUR:
- 9 (A) THE INDIVIDUAL ACKNOWLEDGES PATERNITY OF THE CHILD IN
- 10 WRITING.
- 11 (B) THE INDIVIDUAL CONSENTS TO HIS NAME BEING ENTERED AS THE
- 12 CHILD'S BIOLOGICAL FATHER ON THE CHILD'S BIRTH CERTIFICATE.
- 13 (C) THE INDIVIDUAL IS DETERMINED TO BE THE CHILD'S FATHER IN
- 14 AN ACTION UNDER THE PATERNITY ACT, 1956 PA 205, MCL 722.711 TO
- **15** 722.730.
- 16 (D) THE STATE REGISTRAR FILES AN ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PARENTAGE
- 17 IN WHICH THE INDIVIDUAL DECLARES HIMSELF TO BE THE CHILD'S BIO-
- 18 LOGICAL FATHER.
- 19 (E) THE INDIVIDUAL OTHERWISE ADMITS THAT HE IS, OR ACKNOWL-
- 20 EDGES HIMSELF AS, THE CHILD'S BIOLOGICAL FATHER.
- 21 (4) SUBSECTION (3) DOES NOT APPLY IF THE COURT FINDS THAT AN
- 22 EVENT LISTED IN SUBSECTION (3) OCCURRED BEFORE THE INDIVIDUAL
- 23 KNEW THAT HE IS NOT THE CHILD'S BIOLOGICAL FATHER.
- 24 (5) AN INDIVIDUAL SHALL FILE A MOTION UNDER THIS SECTION
- 25 WITH THE COURT THAT ISSUED THE ORDER FROM WHICH THE MOVING PARTY
- 26 SEEKS RELIEF.

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- (6) IN A PROCEEDING UNDER THIS SECTION, THE COURT, UPON 1
- 2 APPLICATION MADE BY OR ON BEHALF OF EITHER PARTY, OR ON ITS OWN
- 3 MOTION, SHALL ORDER THE CHILD, THE CHILD'S MOTHER, AND THE INDI-
- 4 VIDUAL FILING THE MOTION UNDER SUBSECTION (1) TO SUBMIT TO GENE-
- 5 TIC TESTING WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER THE ORDER REQUIRING GENETIC
- 6 TESTING IS ISSUED. GENETIC TESTING UNDER THIS SECTION IS SUBJECT
- 7 TO THE SAME PROCEDURES AS GENETIC TESTING ORDERED UNDER SECTION 6
- 8 OF THE PATERNITY ACT, 1956 PA 205, MCL 722.716.
- (7) IF THE COURT GRANTS A MOTION UNDER THIS SECTION TO
- 10 VACATE OR TERMINATE AN ORDER, AND THE MOVING PARTY AND CHILD ARE
- 11 ALSO THE SUBJECTS OF A PARENTING TIME ORDER, THE COURT SHALL
- 12 DETERMINE IF THE PARENTING TIME ORDER IS TERMINATED, MODIFIED, OR
- 13 CONTINUED BASED UPON THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE CHILD. IF THE
- 14 COURT GRANTS A MOTION UNDER THIS SECTION TO TERMINATE A CHILD
- 15 SUPPORT ORDER AND AN ARREARAGE EXISTS UNDER THAT ORDER, THE COURT
- 16 MAY RETROACTIVELY CORRECT THE ARREARAGE.
- (8) IF A MOTION UNDER THIS SECTION IS TO TERMINATE A CHILD 17
- 18 SUPPORT ORDER AND THE COURT DOES NOT GRANT THE MOTION, THE COURT
- 19 SHALL ORDER THE MOVING PARTY TO PAY THE COSTS OF THE ACTION AND
- 20 EACH OPPOSING PARTY'S REASONABLE ATTORNEY FEES.
- (9) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "GENETIC TESTING" MEANS BLOOD 21
- 22 OR TISSUE TYPING, OR DNA IDENTIFICATION PROFILING, AS DESCRIBED
- 23 IN AND PRESCRIBED BY THE PATERNITY ACT, 1956 PA 205, MCL 722.711
- **24** TO 722.730.
- Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect
- **26** October 1, 2001.