HOUSE BILL No. 4999

July 17, 2003, Introduced by Reps. Elkins, Lipsey, Minore, Hunter, Tobocman, Gillard, McConico, Sak, Rivet, Dennis and Plakas and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend 1939 PA 288, entitled

"Probate code of 1939,"

(MCL 710.21 to 712A.32) by adding section 65a to chapter X and section 18 to chapter XII.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 CHAPTER X

- 2 Sec. 65a. (1) If a dispute regarding the legal custody of a
- 3 child is pending under this chapter, an individual who is a party
- 4 to the dispute and who is the child's biological parent may
- 5 petition to be granted supervised parenting time. If the court
 - determines that parenting time will not harm the child, the court
- 7 shall order supervised parenting time in the amount and under the
- 8 conditions the court determines appropriate.
 - (2) If a person that has physical custody of the child
-) interferes with supervised parenting time ordered by the court

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- 1 under this section and if the court determines that the
- 2 interference was unwarranted, the court shall order that person
- 3 to pay the parent's court costs, attorney fees, and other
- 4 expenses incurred as a result of the interference. The court may
- 5 also order the person to pay a civil fine of not more than
- 6 \$1,000.00 for each separate occurrence of interfering with the
- 7 parent's and child's parenting time.
- 8 CHAPTER XII
- 9 Sec. 18. (1) If a dispute regarding the legal custody of a
- 10 child is pending under this chapter, an individual who is a party
- 11 to the dispute and who is the child's biological parent may
- 12 petition to be granted supervised parenting time. If the court
- 13 determines that parenting time will not harm the child, the court
- 14 shall grant supervised parenting time in the amount and under the
- 15 conditions the court determines appropriate.
- 16 (2) If a person that has physical custody of the child
- 17 interferes with supervised parenting time ordered by the court
- 18 under this section and if the court determines that the
- 19 interference was unwarranted, the court shall order that person
- 20 to pay the parent's court costs, attorney fees, and other
- 21 expenses incurred as a result of the interference. The court may
- 22 also order the person to pay a civil fine of not more than
- 23 \$1,000.00 for each separate occurrence of interfering with the
- 24 parent's and child's parenting time.

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