HOUSE BILL No. 5675

February 14, 2006, Introduced by Rep. Baxter and referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code,"

by amending sections 1230, 1230a, 1230d, 1230g, 1535a, and 1539b (MCL 380.1230, 380.1230a, 380.1230d, 380.1230g, 380.1535a, and 380.1539b), section 1230 as amended by 2005 PA 129, section 1230a as amended by 2005 PA 138, section 1230d as added by 2005 PA 131, and section 1230g as added and sections 1535a and 1539b as amended by 2005 PA 130, and by adding section 1230h.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 1230. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, upon an offer of initial employment being made by the board of a school district or intermediate school district or the governing

- 1 body of a public school academy or nonpublic school to an
- 2 individual for any full-time or part-time employment or when school
- 3 officials learn that an individual is being assigned to regularly
- 4 and continuously work under contract in any of its schools, the
- 5 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school shall request
- 6 from the criminal records division of the department of state
- 7 police a criminal history check on the individual and, before
- 8 employing the individual as a regular employee or allowing the
- 9 individual to regularly and continuously work under contract in any
- 10 of its schools, shall have received from the department of state
- 11 police the report described in subsection (8).
- 12 (2) If the board of a school district or intermediate school
- 13 district or the governing body of a public school academy or
- 14 nonpublic school determines it necessary to hire an individual for
- 15 a particular school year during that school year or within 30 days
- 16 before the beginning of that school year, the board or governing
- 17 body may employ the individual as a conditional employee under this
- 18 subsection without first receiving the report described in
- 19 subsection (8) if all of the following apply:
- 20 (a) The board or governing body requests the criminal history
- 21 check required under subsection (1) before conditionally employing
- 22 the individual.
- 23 (b) The individual signs a statement identifying all crimes
- 24 for which he or she has been convicted, if any, and agreeing that,
- 25 if the report described in subsection (8) is not the same as the
- 26 individual's statement, his or her employment contract is voidable
- 27 at the option of the board or governing body. The department shall

- 1 develop and distribute to districts and nonpublic schools a model
- 2 form for the statement required under this subdivision. The
- 3 department shall make the model form available to public school
- 4 academies. A district, public school academy, or nonpublic school
- 5 shall use the model form for the purposes of this subsection.
- 6 (3) If an individual is employed as a conditional employee
- 7 under subsection (2) and the report described in subsection (8) is
- 8 not the same as the individual's statement under subsection (2),
- 9 the board or governing body may void the individual's employment
- 10 contract. If an employment contract is voided under this
- 11 subsection, the individual's employment is terminated, a collective
- 12 bargaining agreement that would otherwise apply to the individual's
- 13 employment does not apply to the termination, and the district,
- 14 public school academy, or nonpublic school or the board or
- 15 governing body is not liable for the termination.
- 16 (4) For an applicant for a position as a substitute teacher,
- 17 instead of requesting a criminal history check under subsection
- 18 (1), a school district, intermediate school district, public school
- 19 academy, or nonpublic school may use a report received by another
- 20 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school or maintained
- 21 by the department to confirm that the individual does not have any
- 22 criminal history. If that confirmation is not available, subsection
- 23 (1) applies to the applicant.
- 24 (5) If an applicant is being considered for employment by more
- 25 than 1 school district, intermediate school district, public school
- 26 academy, or nonpublic school and if the applicant agrees in writing
- 27 to allow a district, public school academy, or nonpublic school to

- 1 share the report described in subsection (8) with another district,
- 2 public school academy, or nonpublic school, a district, public
- 3 school academy, or nonpublic school may satisfy the requirements of
- 4 subsection (1) by obtaining a copy of the report described in
- 5 subsection (8) from another district, public school academy, or
- 6 nonpublic school.
- 7 (6) An applicant for employment shall give written consent at
- 8 the time of application for the criminal records division of the
- 9 department of state police to conduct the criminal history check
- 10 required under this section.
- 11 (7) A school district, intermediate school district, public
- 12 school academy, or nonpublic school shall make a request to the
- 13 criminal records division of the department of state police for a
- 14 criminal history check required under this section on a form and in
- 15 a manner prescribed by the criminal records division of the
- 16 department of state police.
- 17 (8) Within 30 days after receiving a proper request by a
- 18 school district, intermediate school district, public school
- 19 academy, or nonpublic school for a criminal history check on an
- 20 individual under this section, the criminal records division of the
- 21 department of state police shall conduct the criminal history check
- 22 and, after conducting the criminal history check and within that
- 23 time period, provide a report of the results of the criminal
- 24 history check to the district, public school academy, or nonpublic
- 25 school. The report shall contain any criminal history record
- 26 information on the individual maintained by the criminal records
- 27 division of the department of state police.

- 1 (9) If the report received by a school district, intermediate
- 2 school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school under
- 3 subsection (8) discloses that an individual has been convicted of a
- 4 listed offense, then the school district, intermediate school
- 5 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school shall not
- 6 employ the individual in any capacity, as provided under section
- 7 1230c, and shall not allow the individual to regularly and
- 8 continuously work under contract in any of its schools. If the
- 9 report received by a school district, intermediate school district,
- 10 public school academy, or nonpublic school under subsection (8)
- 11 discloses that an individual has been convicted of a felony other
- 12 than a listed offense, then the school district, intermediate
- 13 school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school shall
- 14 not employ the individual in any capacity or allow the individual
- 15 to regularly and continuously work under contract in any of its
- 16 schools unless the superintendent or chief administrator and the
- 17 board or governing body of the school district, intermediate school
- 18 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school each
- 19 specifically approve the employment or work assignment in writing.
- 20 As used in this subsection, "listed offense" means that term as
- 21 defined in section 2 of the sex offenders registration act, 1994 PA
- 22 295, MCL 28.722.
- 23 (10) Criminal history record information received from the
- 24 criminal records division of the department of state police under
- 25 subsection (8) shall be used by a school district, intermediate
- 26 school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school only
- 27 for the purpose of evaluating an individual's qualifications for

- 1 employment or assignment in the position for which he or she has
- 2 applied or been assigned and for the purposes of subsections (3),
- 3 (4), and (5). A member of the board of a district or of the
- 4 governing body of a public school academy or nonpublic school or an
- 5 employee of a district, public school academy, or nonpublic school
- 6 shall not disclose the report or its contents, except any felony
- 7 conviction or a misdemeanor conviction involving sexual or
- 8 physical abuse OR ANY FELONY CONVICTION, to any person who is not
- 9 directly involved in evaluating the applicant's qualifications for
- 10 employment or assignment. However, for the purposes of subsections
- 11 (4) and (5), a person described in this subsection may confirm to
- 12 an employee of another district, public school academy, or
- 13 nonpublic school that a report under subsection (8) has revealed
- 14 that an individual does not have any criminal history or may
- 15 disclose that no report under subsection (8) has been received
- 16 concerning the individual, and for the purposes of subsection (5),
- 17 a person described in this subsection may provide a copy of the
- 18 report under subsection (8) concerning the individual to an
- 19 appropriate representative of another district, public school
- 20 academy, or nonpublic school. A person who violates this subsection
- 21 is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than
- \$10,000.00, but is not subject to the penalties under section 1804.
- 23 (11) As used in this section, "criminal history record
- 24 information" means that term as defined in section 1a of 1925 PA
- 25 289, MCL 28.241a.
- 26 Sec. 1230a. (1) In addition to the criminal history check
- 27 required under section 1230, the board of a school district or

- 1 intermediate school district or the governing body of a public
- 2 school academy or nonpublic school shall request the department of
- 3 state police to conduct a criminal records check through the
- 4 federal bureau of investigation on an applicant for, or an
- 5 individual who is hired for, any full-time or part-time employment
- 6 or who is assigned to regularly and continuously work under
- 7 contract in any of its schools. Except as otherwise provided in
- 8 this section, a board or governing body shall not employ an
- 9 individual or allow an individual to regularly and continuously
- 10 work under contract in any of its schools until after the board or
- 11 governing body receives the results of the criminal records check.
- 12 A board or governing body requesting a criminal records check under
- 13 this section shall require the individual to submit his or her
- 14 fingerprints to the department of state police for that purpose.
- 15 The department of state police may charge a fee for conducting the
- 16 criminal records check. A board or governing body shall require an
- 17 individual to submit his or her fingerprints for the purposes of
- 18 this section only at the time the individual initially applies for
- 19 employment with the board or governing body or is initially
- 20 employed by the board or governing body or is initially assigned to
- 21 work under contract in any of its schools.
- 22 (2) If the board of a school district or intermediate school
- 23 district or the governing body of a public school academy or
- 24 nonpublic school determines it necessary to hire an individual for
- 25 a particular school year during that school year or within 30 days
- 26 before the beginning of that school year, the board or governing
- 27 body may employ the individual as a conditional employee under this

- 1 subsection without first receiving the results of the criminal
- 2 records check under subsection (1) if all of the following apply:
- 3 (a) The board or governing body requests the criminal records
- 4 check under subsection (1) before conditionally employing the
- 5 individual.
- 6 (b) The individual signs a statement identifying all crimes
- 7 for which he or she has been convicted, if any, and agreeing that,
- 8 if the results of the criminal records check under subsection (1)
- 9 reveal information that is inconsistent with the individual's
- 10 statement, his or her employment contract is voidable at the option
- 11 of the board or governing body. The department shall develop and
- 12 distribute to districts and nonpublic schools a model form for the
- 13 statement required under this subdivision. The department shall
- 14 make the model form available to public school academies. A
- 15 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school shall use the
- 16 model form for the purposes of this subsection.
- 17 (3) If an individual is employed as a conditional employee
- 18 under subsection (2) and the results of the criminal records check
- 19 under subsection (1) reveal information that is inconsistent with
- 20 the individual's statement under subsection (2), the board or
- 21 governing body may void the individual's employment contract. If an
- 22 employment contract is voided under this subsection, the
- 23 individual's employment is terminated, a collective bargaining
- 24 agreement that would otherwise apply to the individual's employment
- 25 does not apply to the termination, and the district, public school
- 26 academy, or nonpublic school or the board or governing body is not
- 27 liable for the termination.

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

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(8) The results of a criminal records check under this section
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    assignment. However, for the purposes of subsections (4) and (5), a
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- 1 district, intermediate school district, or public school academy,
- 2 the criminal records division of the department of state police
- 3 shall provide the results of the criminal records check to the
- 4 district or public school academy. After conducting the criminal
- 5 records check required under this section for a nonpublic school,
- 6 the criminal records division of the department of state police
- 7 shall notify the nonpublic school of whether or not the criminal
- 8 records check disclosed any criminal history that is not disclosed
- 9 in the report on the individual provided to the nonpublic school
- 10 under section 1230.
- 11 (10) If the results received by a school district,
- 12 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic
- 13 school under subsection (9) disclose that an individual has been
- 14 convicted of a listed offense, then the school district,
- 15 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic
- 16 school shall not employ the individual in any capacity, as provided
- 17 under section 1230c, and shall not allow the individual to
- 18 regularly and continuously work under contract in any of its
- 19 schools. If the results received by a school district, intermediate
- 20 school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school under
- 21 subsection (9) disclose that an individual has been convicted of a
- 22 felony other than a listed offense, then the school district,
- 23 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic
- 24 school shall not employ the individual in any capacity or allow the
- 25 individual to regularly and continuously work under contract in any
- 26 of its schools unless the superintendent or chief administrator and
- 27 the board or governing body of the school district, intermediate

- 1 school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school each
- 2 specifically approve the employment or work assignment in writing.
- 3 (11) As used in this section, "listed offense" means that term
- 4 as defined in section 2 of the sex offenders registration act, 1994
- 5 PA 295, MCL 28.722.
- 6 Sec. 1230d. (1) If a person who is employed in any capacity by
- 7 a school district, intermediate school district, public school
- 8 academy, or nonpublic school; who has applied for a position with a
- 9 school district, intermediate school district, public school
- 10 academy, or nonpublic school and has had an initial criminal
- 11 history check under section 1230 or criminal records check under
- 12 section 1230a; or who is regularly and continuously working under
- 13 contract in a school district, intermediate school district, public
- 14 school academy, or nonpublic school, is charged with a crime listed
- in section 1535a(1) OR 1539B(1) or a violation of a substantially
- 16 similar law of another state, a political subdivision of this state
- 17 or another state, or of the United States, the person shall report
- 18 to the department and to the school district, intermediate school
- 19 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school that he or she
- 20 has been charged with the crime. All of the following apply to this
- 21 reporting requirement:
- 22 (a) The person shall make the report on a form prescribed by
- 23 the department.
- 24 (b) The person shall submit the report to the department and
- 25 to the superintendent of the school district or intermediate school
- 26 district or chief administrator of the public school academy or
- 27 nonpublic school.

- (c) The person shall submit the report within 3 business days
 after being arraigned for the crime.
- 3 (2) If a person who is employed in any capacity by or is
- 4 regularly and continuously working under contract in a school
- 5 district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or
- 6 nonpublic school enters a plea of guilt or no contest to or is the
- 7 subject of a finding of guilt by a judge or jury of any crime after
- 8 having been initially charged with a crime described in section
- 9 1535a(1) or 1539b(1), then the person immediately shall disclose to
- 10 the court, on a form prescribed by the state court administrative
- 11 office, that he or she is employed by or working under contract in
- 12 a school district, intermediate school district, public school
- 13 academy, or nonpublic school. The person shall immediately provide
- 14 a copy of the form to the prosecuting attorney in charge of the
- 15 case, to the superintendent of public instruction, and to the
- 16 superintendent or chief administrator of the school district,
- 17 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic
- 18 school.
- 19 (3) A person who violates subsection (1) or (2) is guilty of a
- 20 crime, as follows:
- 21 (a) If the person violates either subsection (1) or (2) and
- 22 the crime involved in the violation is a misdemeanor that is a
- 23 listed offense or is a felony, the person is guilty of a felony
- 24 punishable by imprisonment for not more than 2 years or a fine of
- 25 not more than \$2,000.00, or both.
- 26 (b) If the person violates either subsection (1) or (2) and
- 27 the crime involved in the violation is a misdemeanor that is not a

- 1 listed offense, the person is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by
- 2 imprisonment for not more than 1 year or a fine of not more than
- 3 \$1,000.00, or both.
- 4 (4) A person who violates subsection (1) or (2) may be
- 5 discharged from his or her employment or have his or her contract
- 6 terminated. If the board of a school district or intermediate
- 7 school district or board of directors of a public school academy
- 8 finds, after providing notice and the opportunity for a hearing,
- 9 that a person employed by the school district, intermediate school
- 10 district, or public school academy has violated subsection (1) or
- 11 (2), the board or board of directors may discharge the person from
- 12 his or her employment. However, if a collective bargaining
- 13 agreement that applies to the affected person is in effect as of
- 14 the effective date of this section, and if that collective
- 15 bargaining agreement is not in compliance with this subsection,
- 16 then this subsection does not apply to that school district,
- 17 intermediate school district, or public school academy until after
- 18 the 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 district,
- 24 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic
- 25 school to delete the report from its records concerning the person.
- 26 Upon receipt of the request from the person and of documentation
- 27 verifying that the person was not convicted of any crime after the

- 1 completion of judicial proceedings resulting from that charge, the
- 2 department or a school district, intermediate school district,
- 3 public school academy, or nonpublic school shall delete the report
- 4 from its records concerning the person.
- **5** (6) If the prosecuting attorney in charge of a case receives a
- 6 form as provided under subsection (2), the prosecuting attorney
- 7 shall notify the superintendent of public instruction and the
- 8 superintendent or chief administrator of any school district,
- 9 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic
- 10 school in which the person is employed by forwarding a copy of the
- 11 form to each of them not later than 7 days after receiving the
- 12 form. If the court receives a form as provided under subsection
- 13 (2), the court shall notify the superintendent of public
- 14 instruction and the superintendent or chief administrator of any
- 15 school district, intermediate school district, public school
- 16 academy, or nonpublic school in which the person is employed by
- 17 forwarding to each of them a copy of the form and information
- 18 regarding the sentence imposed on the person not later than 7 days
- 19 after the date of sentencing, even if the court is maintaining the
- 20 file as a nonpublic record.
- 21 (7) The department of information technology shall work with
- 22 the department and the department of state police to develop and
- 23 implement an automated program that does a comparison of the
- 24 department's list of registered educational personnel with the
- 25 conviction information received by the department of state police.
- 26 Unless otherwise prohibited by law, this comparison shall include
- 27 convictions contained in a nonpublic record. The department and the

- 1 department of state police shall perform this comparison during
- 2 January and June of each year until July 1, 2008. If a comparison
- 3 discloses that a person on the department's list of registered
- 4 educational personnel has been convicted of a crime, the department
- 5 shall notify the superintendent or chief administrator and the
- 6 board or governing body of the school district, intermediate school
- 7 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school in which the
- 8 person is employed of that conviction. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL TAKE
- 9 REASONABLE MEASURES TO ENSURE THE ACCURACY OF INFORMATION UNDER
- 10 THIS SUBSECTION.
- 11 (8) As used in this section, "listed offense" means that term
- 12 as defined in section 2 of the sex offenders registration act, 1994
- **13** PA 295, MCL 28.722.
- 14 Sec. 1230g. (1) Not later than July 1, 2008, the board of a
- 15 school district or intermediate school district, the board of
- 16 directors of a public school academy, or the governing body of a
- 17 nonpublic school shall do both of the following for each individual
- 18 who, as of January 1, 2006, is either a full-time or part-time
- 19 employee of the school district, intermediate school district,
- 20 public school academy, or nonpublic school or is assigned to
- 21 regularly and continuously work under contract in any of its
- 22 schools:
- 23 (a) Request from the criminal records division of the
- 24 department of state police a criminal history check on the
- 25 individual.
- (b) Request the department of state police to conduct a
- 27 criminal records check on the individual through the federal bureau

- 1 of investigation. The board, board of directors, or governing board
- 2 shall require the individual to submit his or her fingerprints to
- 3 the department of state police for the purposes of this
- 4 subdivision. The department of state police may charge a fee for
- 5 conducting the criminal records check.
- 6 (2) For an individual employed or working under contract as a
- 7 substitute teacher, instead of requesting a criminal history check
- 8 and criminal records check under subsection (1), a school district,
- 9 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic
- 10 school may use results received by another district, public school
- 11 academy, or nonpublic school or maintained by the department to
- 12 confirm that the individual does not have any criminal history. If
- 13 that confirmation is not available, subsection (1) applies to the
- 14 individual.
- 15 (3) If an individual described in subsection (1) is employed
- 16 by or working under contract in more than 1 school district,
- 17 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic
- 18 school and if the individual agrees in writing to allow a district,
- 19 public school academy, or nonpublic school to share the results of
- 20 the criminal history check or criminal records check with another
- 21 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school, then a
- 22 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school may satisfy
- 23 the requirements of subsection (1) by obtaining a copy of the
- 24 results of the criminal history check or criminal records check
- 25 from another district, public school academy, or nonpublic school.
- 26 (4) An individual described in subsection (1) shall give
- 27 written consent for the criminal records division of the department

- 1 of state police to conduct the criminal history check and criminal
- 2 records check required under this section and shall submit his or
- 3 her fingerprints to the department of state police for the purposes
- 4 of the criminal records check.
- 5 (5) A school district, intermediate school district, public
- 6 school academy, or nonpublic school shall make a request to the
- 7 department of state police for the criminal history check and
- 8 criminal records check under this section on a form and in a manner
- 9 prescribed by the department of state police.
- 10 (6) The results of a criminal history check and criminal
- 11 records check under this section shall be used by a school
- 12 district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or
- 13 nonpublic school only for the purpose of evaluating an individual's
- 14 qualifications for employment or assignment in his or her position
- 15 and for the purposes of subsections (2) and (3). A member of the
- 16 board of a school district or intermediate school district, of the
- 17 board of directors of a public school academy, or of the governing
- 18 body of a nonpublic school or an employee of a district, public
- 19 school academy, or nonpublic school shall not disclose those
- 20 results, except -any felony conviction or a misdemeanor conviction
- 21 involving sexual or physical abuse OR ANY FELONY CONVICTION, to any
- 22 person who is not directly involved in evaluating the individual's
- 23 qualifications for employment or assignment. However, for the
- 24 purposes of subsections (2) and (3), a person described in this
- 25 subsection may provide a copy of the results under subsection (1)
- 26 concerning the individual to an appropriate representative of
- 27 another district, public school academy, or nonpublic school. A

- 1 person who violates this subsection is guilty of a misdemeanor
- 2 punishable by a fine of not more than \$10,000.00, but is not
- 3 subject to the penalties under section 1804.
- 4 (7) Within 30 days after receiving a proper request by a
- 5 school district, intermediate school district, public school
- 6 academy, or nonpublic school for a criminal history check and
- 7 criminal records check on an individual under this section, the
- 8 criminal records division of the department of state police shall
- 9 do both of the following:
- (a) Conduct the criminal history check and, after conducting
- 11 the criminal history check and within that time period, provide a
- 12 report of the results of the criminal history check to the
- 13 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school. The report
- 14 shall contain any criminal history record information on the
- 15 individual that is maintained by the criminal records division of
- 16 the department of state police.
- 17 (b) Initiate the criminal records check through the federal
- 18 bureau of investigation. After conducting the criminal records
- 19 check required under this section for a school district,
- 20 intermediate school district, or public school academy, the
- 21 criminal records division of the department of state police shall
- 22 provide the results of the criminal records check to the district
- 23 or public school academy. After conducting the criminal records
- 24 check required under this section for a nonpublic school, the
- 25 criminal records division of the department of state police shall
- 26 notify the nonpublic school of whether or not the criminal records
- 27 check disclosed any criminal history that is not disclosed in the

- 1 criminal history check report on the individual provided to the
- 2 nonpublic school under subdivision (a).
- 3 (8) If the results received by a school district, intermediate
- 4 school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school under
- 5 subsection (7) disclose that an individual has been convicted of a
- 6 listed offense, then the school district, intermediate school
- 7 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school shall not
- 8 employ the individual in any capacity, as provided under section
- 9 1230c, and shall not allow the individual to regularly and
- 10 continuously work under contract in any of its schools. If the
- 11 results received by a school district, intermediate school
- 12 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school under
- 13 subsection (7) disclose that an individual has been convicted of a
- 14 felony other than a listed offense, then the school district,
- 15 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic
- 16 school shall not employ the individual in any capacity or allow the
- 17 individual to regularly and continuously work under contract in any
- 18 of its schools unless the superintendent or chief administrator and
- 19 the board or governing body of the school district, intermediate
- 20 school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school each
- 21 specifically approve the employment or work assignment in writing.
- 22 As used in this subsection, "listed offense" means that term as
- 23 defined in section 2 of the sex offenders registration act, 1994 PA
- 24 295, MCL 28.722.
- 25 SEC. 1230H. A RECORD PREPARED BY THE DEPARTMENT, THE
- 26 DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE, THE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION
- 27 TECHNOLOGY, OR ANOTHER STATE AGENCY PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 1230 TO

- 1 1230G, 1535A, OR 1539B IS EXEMPT FROM DISCLOSURE UNDER SECTION 13
- 2 OF THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT, 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.243.
- 3 HOWEVER, A RECORD DESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION THAT CONCERNS A
- 4 MISDEMEANOR CONVICTION INVOLVING SEXUAL OR PHYSICAL ABUSE OR ANY
- 5 FELONY CONVICTION IS ONLY EXEMPT FROM DISCLOSURE AS PROVIDED IN
- 6 THIS SECTION UNTIL THE EXPIRATION OF 14 DAYS AFTER THE DATE THE
- 7 RECORD IS RECEIVED BY A SCHOOL DISTRICT, INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL
- 8 DISTRICT, PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY, OR NONPUBLIC SCHOOL, AND IS
- 9 SUBJECT TO DISCLOSURE UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT, 1976 PA
- 10 442, MCL 15.231 TO 15.246, AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THAT PERIOD.
- 11 Sec. 1535a. (1) Subject to subsection (2), if a person who
- 12 holds a teaching certificate that is valid in this state has been
- 13 convicted of a crime described in this subsection, within 10
- 14 working days after receiving notice of the conviction the
- 15 superintendent of public instruction shall notify the person in
- 16 writing that his or her teaching certificate may be suspended
- 17 because of the conviction and of his or her right to a hearing
- 18 before the superintendent of public instruction. The hearing shall
- 19 be conducted as a contested case under the administrative
- 20 procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328. If the
- 21 person does not avail himself or herself of this right to a hearing
- 22 within 15 working days after receipt of this written notification,
- 23 the teaching certificate of that person shall be suspended. If a
- 24 hearing takes place, the superintendent of public instruction shall
- 25 complete the proceedings and make a final decision and order within
- 26 120 working days after receiving the request for a hearing. Subject
- 27 to subsection (2), the superintendent of public instruction may

- 1 suspend the person's teaching certificate based upon the issues and
- 2 evidence presented at the hearing. This subsection applies to any
- 3 of the following crimes:
- 4 (a) Any felony.
- 5 (b) Any of the following misdemeanors:
- 6 (i) Criminal sexual conduct in the fourth degree or an attempt
- 7 to commit criminal sexual conduct in the fourth degree.
- 8 (ii) Child abuse in the third or fourth degree or an attempt to
- 9 commit child abuse in the third or fourth degree.
- 10 (iii) A misdemeanor involving cruelty, torture, or indecent
- 11 exposure involving a child.
- (iv) A misdemeanor violation of section 7410 of the public
- 13 health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.7410.
- 14 (v) A violation of section 115, 141a, 145a, 335a, or 359 of
- 15 the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.115, 750.141a,
- 16 750.145a, 750.335a, and 750.359, or a misdemeanor violation of
- 17 section 81, 81a, or 145d of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328,
- 18 MCL 750.81, 750.81a, and 750.145d.
- 19 (vi) A misdemeanor violation of section 701 of the Michigan
- 20 liquor control code of 1998, 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1701.
- (vii) Any misdemeanor that is a listed offense.
- 22 (c) A violation of a substantially similar law of another
- 23 state, of a political subdivision of this state or another state,
- 24 or of the United States.
- 25 (2) If a person who holds a teaching certificate that is valid
- 26 in this state has been convicted of a crime described in this
- 27 subsection, the superintendent of public instruction shall find

- 1 that the public health, safety, or welfare requires emergency
- 2 action and shall order summary suspension of the person's teaching
- 3 certificate under section 92 of the administrative procedures act
- 4 of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.292, and shall subsequently provide an
- 5 opportunity for a hearing as provided under that section. This
- 6 subsection does not limit the superintendent of public
- 7 instruction's ability to order summary suspension of a person's
- 8 teaching certificate for a reason other than described in this
- 9 subsection. This subsection applies to conviction of any of the
- 10 following crimes:
- 11 (a) Criminal sexual conduct in any degree, assault with intent
- 12 to commit criminal sexual conduct, or an attempt to commit criminal
- 13 sexual conduct in any degree.
- 14 (b) Felonious assault on a child, child abuse in the first
- 15 degree, or an attempt to commit child abuse in the first degree.
- 16 (c) Cruelty, torture, or indecent exposure involving a child.
- 17 (d) A violation of section 7401(2)(a)(i), 7403(2)(a)(i), 7410,
- 18 or 7416 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.7401,
- **19** 333.7403, 333.7410, and 333.7416.
- 20 (e) A violation of section 83, 89, 91, 145a, 145b, 145c, 316,
- 21 317, 350, 448, 455, or 529 of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328,
- 22 MCL 750.83, 750.89, 750.91, 750.145a, 750.145b, 750.145c, 750.316,
- 23 750.317, 750.350, 750.448, 750.455, and 750.529, or a felony
- 24 violation of section 145d of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328,
- 25 MCL 750.145d.
- 26 (f) A violation of section 158 of the Michigan penal code,
- 27 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.158, if a victim is an individual less than 18

- 1 years of age.
- 2 (g) Except for a juvenile disposition or adjudication, a
- 3 violation of section 338, 338a, or 338b of the Michigan penal code,
- 4 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.338, 750.338a, and 750.338b, if a victim is an
- 5 individual less than 18 years of age.
- 6 (h) A violation of section 349 of the Michigan penal code,
- 7 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.349, if a victim is an individual less than 18
- 8 years of age.
- 9 (i) An offense committed by a person who was, at the time of
- 10 the offense, a sexually delinquent person as defined in section 10a
- 11 of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.10a.
- 12 (j) An attempt or conspiracy to commit an offense listed in
- 13 subdivision (a), (e), (f), (g), (h), or (i).
- 14 (k) A violation of a substantially similar law of another
- 15 state, of a political subdivision of this state or another state,
- 16 or of the United States.
- 17 (l) Any other crime listed in subsection (1), if the
- 18 superintendent of public instruction determines the public health,
- 19 safety, or welfare requires emergency action based on the
- 20 circumstances underlying the conviction.
- 21 (3) The superintendent of public instruction after a hearing
- 22 shall not take action against a person's teaching certificate under
- 23 subsection (1) or (2) unless the superintendent of public
- 24 instruction finds that the conviction is reasonably and adversely
- 25 related to the person's present fitness to serve in an elementary
- 26 or secondary school in this state or that the conviction
- 27 demonstrates that the person is unfit to teach in an elementary or

- 1 secondary school in this state. Further, the superintendent of
- 2 public instruction may take action against a person's teaching
- 3 certificate under subsection (1) or (2) based on a conviction that
- 4 occurred before the effective date of the amendatory act that added
- 5 this subsection if the superintendent of public instruction finds
- 6 that the conviction is reasonably and adversely related to the
- 7 person's present fitness to serve in an elementary or secondary
- 8 school in this state or that the conviction demonstrates that the
- 9 person is unfit to teach in an elementary or secondary school in
- 10 this state.
- 11 (4) If a person who has entered a plea of guilt or no contest
- 12 to or who is the subject of a finding of guilt by a judge or jury
- 13 of a crime listed in subsection (2) has been suspended from active
- 14 performance of duty by a public school, school district,
- 15 intermediate school district, or nonpublic school during the
- 16 pendency of proceedings under this section, the public school,
- 17 school district, intermediate school district, or nonpublic school
- 18 employing the person shall discontinue the person's compensation
- 19 until the superintendent of public instruction has made a final
- 20 determination of whether or not to suspend or revoke the person's
- 21 teaching certificate. If the superintendent of public instruction
- 22 does not suspend or revoke the person's teaching certificate, the
- 23 public school, school district, intermediate school district, or
- 24 nonpublic school shall make the person whole for lost compensation,
- 25 without interest. However, if a collective bargaining agreement is
- 26 in effect as of the effective date of this subsection for employees
- 27 of a school district, intermediate school district, or public

- 1 school academy, and if the terms of that collective bargaining
- 2 agreement are inconsistent with this subsection, then this
- 3 subsection does not apply to that school district, intermediate
- 4 school district, or public school academy until after the
- 5 expiration of that collective bargaining agreement.
- 6 (5) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, after the
- 7 completion of a person's sentence, the person may request a hearing
- 8 before the superintendent of public instruction on reinstatement of
- 9 his or her teaching certificate. Based upon the issues and evidence
- 10 presented at the hearing, the superintendent of public instruction
- 11 may reinstate, continue the suspension of, or permanently revoke
- 12 the person's teaching certificate. The superintendent of public
- 13 instruction shall not reinstate a person's teaching certificate
- 14 unless the superintendent of public instruction finds that the
- 15 person is currently fit to serve in an elementary or secondary
- 16 school in this state and that reinstatement of the person's
- 17 teaching certificate will not adversely affect the health, safety,
- 18 and welfare of pupils. If a person's conviction was for a listed
- 19 offense, the person is not entitled to request a hearing on
- 20 reinstatement under this subsection, and the superintendent of
- 21 public instruction shall not reinstate the person's teaching
- 22 certificate under this subsection.
- 23 (6) All of the following apply to a person described in this
- 24 section whose conviction is reversed upon final appeal:
- 25 (a) The person's teaching certificate shall be reinstated upon
- 26 his or her notification to the superintendent of public instruction
- 27 of the reversal.

- 1 (b) If the suspension of the person's teaching certificate
- 2 under this section was the sole cause of his or her discharge from
- 3 employment, the person shall be reinstated, upon his or her
- 4 notification to the appropriate local or intermediate school board
- 5 of the reversal, with full rights and benefits, to the position he
- 6 or she would have had if he or she had been continuously employed.
- 7 (c) If the person's compensation was discontinued under
- 8 subsection (4), the public school, school district, intermediate
- 9 school district, or nonpublic school shall make the person whole
- 10 for lost compensation.
- 11 (7) If the prosecuting attorney in charge of a case receives a
- 12 form as provided under section 1230d, the prosecuting attorney
- 13 shall notify the superintendent of public instruction, and any
- 14 public school, school district, intermediate school district, or
- 15 nonpublic school in which the person is employed by forwarding a
- 16 copy of the form to each of them not later than 7 days after
- 17 receiving the form. If the court receives a form as provided under
- 18 section 1230d, the court shall notify the superintendent of public
- 19 instruction and any public school, school district, intermediate
- 20 school district, or nonpublic school in which the person is
- 21 employed by forwarding to each of them a copy of the form and
- 22 information regarding the sentence imposed on the person not later
- 23 than 7 days after the date of sentencing, even if the court is
- 24 maintaining the file as a nonpublic record.
- 25 (8) Not later than 7 days after receiving notification from
- 26 the prosecuting attorney or the court under subsection (7) or
- 27 learning through an authoritative source that a person who holds a

- 1 teaching certificate has been convicted of a crime listed in
- 2 subsection (1), the superintendent of public instruction shall
- 3 request the court to provide a certified copy of the judgment of
- 4 conviction and sentence or other document regarding the disposition
- 5 of the case to the superintendent of public instruction and shall
- 6 pay any fees required by the court. The court shall provide this
- 7 certified copy within 7 days after receiving the request and fees
- 8 under this section or after entry of the judgment or other
- 9 document, whichever is later, even if the court is maintaining the
- 10 judgment or other document as a nonpublic record.
- 11 (9) If the superintendent of a school district or intermediate
- 12 school district, the chief administrative officer of a nonpublic
- 13 school, the president of the board of a school district or
- 14 intermediate school district, or the president of the governing
- 15 board of a nonpublic school is notified or learns through an
- 16 authoritative source that a person who holds a teaching certificate
- 17 and who is employed by the school district, intermediate school
- 18 district, or nonpublic school has been convicted of a crime
- 19 described in subsection (1) or (2), the superintendent, chief
- 20 administrative officer, or board president shall notify the
- 21 superintendent of public instruction of that conviction within 15
- 22 days after learning of the conviction.
- 23 (10) For the purposes of this section, a certified copy of the
- 24 judgment of conviction and sentence is conclusive evidence of
- 25 conviction of a crime described in this section. For the purposes
- 26 of this section, conviction of a crime described in this section is
- 27 considered to be reasonably and adversely related to the ability of

- 1 the person to serve in an elementary or secondary school and is
- 2 sufficient grounds for suspension or revocation of the person's
- 3 teaching certificate.
- 4 (11) For any hearing under subsection (1), if the
- 5 superintendent of public instruction does not complete the hearing
- 6 procedures and make a final decision and order within 120 working
- 7 days after receiving the request for the hearing, as required under
- 8 subsection (1), the superintendent of public instruction shall
- 9 submit a report detailing the reasons for the delay to the standing
- 10 committees and appropriations subcommittees of the senate and house
- 11 of representatives that have jurisdiction over education and
- 12 education appropriations. The failure of the superintendent of
- 13 public instruction to complete the hearing procedures and make a
- 14 final decision and order within this 120 working day time limit, or
- 15 the failure of any other official or agency to meet a time limit
- 16 prescribed in this section, does not affect the validity of an
- 17 action taken under this section affecting a person's teaching
- 18 certificate.
- 19 (12) Beginning July 1, 2004, the superintendent of public
- 20 instruction shall submit to the legislature a quarterly report of
- 21 all final actions he or she has taken under this section affecting
- 22 a person's teaching certificate during the preceding quarter. The
- 23 report shall contain at least all of the following with respect to
- 24 each person whose teaching certificate has been affected:
- 25 (a) The person's name, as it appears on the teaching
- 26 certificate.
- 27 (b) The school district, intermediate school district, public

- 1 school academy, or nonpublic school in which the person was
- 2 employed at the time of the conviction, if any.
- 3 (c) The offense for which the person was convicted and the
- 4 date of the offense and date of the conviction.
- 5 (d) Whether the action taken by the superintendent of public
- 6 instruction was a summary suspension, suspension due to failure to
- 7 request a hearing, suspension, revocation, or reinstatement of the
- 8 teaching certificate.
- 9 (13) This section does not do any of the following:
- (a) Prohibit a person who holds a teaching certificate from
- 11 seeking monetary compensation from a school board or intermediate
- 12 school board if that right is available under a collective
- 13 bargaining agreement or another statute.
- 14 (b) Limit the rights and powers granted to a school district
- 15 or intermediate school district under a collective bargaining
- 16 agreement, this act, or another statute to discipline or discharge
- 17 a person who holds a teaching certificate.
- 18 (14) The superintendent of public instruction may promulgate,
- 19 as necessary, rules to implement this section pursuant to the
- 20 administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to
- **21** 24.328.
- 22 (15) The department of information technology shall work with
- 23 the department and the department of state police to develop and
- 24 implement an automated program that does a comparison of the
- 25 department's list of individuals holding a teaching certificate or
- 26 state board approval with the conviction information received by
- 27 the department of state police. Unless otherwise prohibited by law,

- 1 this comparison shall include convictions contained in a nonpublic
- 2 record. The department and the department of state police shall
- 3 perform this comparison during January and June of each year until
- 4 July 1, 2008. If a comparison discloses that a person on the
- 5 department's list of individuals holding a teaching certificate or
- 6 state board approval has been convicted of a crime, the department
- 7 shall notify the superintendent or chief administrator and the
- 8 board or governing body of the school district, intermediate school
- 9 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school in which the
- 10 person is employed of that conviction. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL TAKE
- 11 REASONABLE MEASURES TO ENSURE THE ACCURACY OF INFORMATION UNDER
- 12 THIS SUBSECTION.
- 13 (16) As used in this section:
- 14 (a) "Conviction" means a judgment entered by a court upon a
- 15 plea of guilty, guilty but mentally ill, or nolo contendere or upon
- 16 a jury verdict or court finding that a defendant is guilty or
- 17 guilty but mentally ill.
- 18 (b) "Listed offense" means that term as defined in section 2
- 19 of the sex offenders registration act, 1994 PA 295, MCL 28.722.
- (c) "Prosecuting attorney" means the prosecuting attorney for
- 21 a county, an assistant prosecuting attorney for a county, the
- 22 attorney general, the deputy attorney general, an assistant
- 23 attorney general, a special prosecuting attorney, or, in connection
- 24 with the prosecution of an ordinance violation, an attorney for the
- 25 political subdivision that enacted the ordinance upon which the
- violation is based.
- 27 Sec. 1539b. (1) Subject to subsection (2), if a person who

- 1 holds state board approval has been convicted of a crime described
- 2 in this subsection, within 10 working days after receiving notice
- 3 of the conviction the superintendent of public instruction shall
- 4 notify the person in writing that his or her state board approval
- 5 may be suspended because of the conviction and of his or her right
- 6 to a hearing before the superintendent of public instruction. The
- 7 hearing shall be conducted as a contested case under the
- 8 administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to
- 9 24.328. If the person does not avail himself or herself of this
- 10 right to a hearing within 15 working days after receipt of this
- 11 written notification, the person's state board approval shall be
- 12 suspended. If a hearing takes place, the superintendent of public
- instruction shall complete the proceedings and make a final
- 14 decision and order within 120 working days after receiving the
- 15 request for a hearing. Subject to subsection (2), the
- 16 superintendent of public instruction may suspend the person's state
- 17 board approval, based upon the issues and evidence presented at the
- 18 hearing. This subsection applies to any of the following crimes:
- 19 (a) Any felony.
- 20 (b) Any of the following misdemeanors:
- (i) Criminal sexual conduct in the fourth degree or an attempt
- 22 to commit criminal sexual conduct in the fourth degree.
- 23 (ii) Child abuse in the third or fourth degree or an attempt to
- 24 commit child abuse in the third or fourth degree.
- 25 (iii) A misdemeanor involving cruelty, torture, or indecent
- 26 exposure involving a child.
- 27 (iv) A misdemeanor violation of section 7410 of the public

- 1 health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.7410.
- 2 (v) A violation of section 115, 141a, 145a, 335a, or 359 of
- 3 the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.115, 750.141a,
- 4 750.145a, 750.335a, and 750.359, or a misdemeanor violation of
- 5 section 81, 81a, or 145d of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328,
- 6 MCL 750.81, 750.81a, and 750.145d.
- 7 (vi) A misdemeanor violation of section 701 of the Michigan
- 8 liquor control code of 1998, 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1701.
- 9 (vii) Any misdemeanor that is a listed offense.
- 10 (c) A violation of a substantially similar law of another
- 11 state, of a political subdivision of this state or another state,
- 12 or of the United States.
- 13 (2) If a person who holds state board approval has been
- 14 convicted of a crime described in this subsection, the
- 15 superintendent of public instruction shall find that the public
- 16 health, safety, or welfare requires emergency action and shall
- 17 order summary suspension of the person's state board approval under
- 18 section 92 of the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA
- 19 306, MCL 24.292, and shall subsequently provide an opportunity for
- 20 a hearing as required under that section. This subsection does not
- 21 limit the superintendent of public instruction's ability to order
- 22 summary suspension of a person's state board approval for a reason
- 23 other than described in this subsection. This subsection applies to
- 24 conviction of any of the following crimes:
- 25 (a) Criminal sexual conduct in any degree, assault with intent
- 26 to commit criminal sexual conduct, or an attempt to commit criminal
- 27 sexual conduct in any degree.

- 1 (b) Felonious assault on a child, child abuse in the first
- 2 degree, or an attempt to commit child abuse in the first degree.
- 3 (c) Cruelty, torture, or indecent exposure involving a child.
- 4 (d) A violation of section 7401(2)(a)(i), 7403(2)(a)(i), 7410,
- 5 or 7416 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.7401,
- 6 333.7403, 333.7410, and 333.7416.
- 7 (e) A violation of section 83, 89, 91, 145a, 145b, 145c, 316,
- 8 317, 350, 448, 455, or 529 of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328,
- **9** MCL 750.83, 750.89, 750.91, 750.145a, 750.145b, 750.145c, 750.316,
- 10 750.317, 750.350, 750.448, 750.455, and 750.529, or a felony
- 11 violation of section 145d of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328,
- **12** MCL 750.145d.
- 13 (f) A violation of section 158 of the Michigan penal code,
- 14 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.158, if a victim is an individual less than 18
- 15 years of age.
- 16 (g) Except for a juvenile disposition or adjudication, a
- 17 violation of section 338, 338a, or 338b of the Michigan penal code,
- 18 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.338, 750.338a, and 750.338b, if a victim is an
- 19 individual less than 18 years of age.
- 20 (h) A violation of section 349 of the Michigan penal code,
- 21 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.349, if a victim is an individual less than 18
- 22 years of age.
- 23 (i) An offense committed by a person who was, at the time of
- 24 the offense, a sexually delinquent person as defined in section 10a
- 25 of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.10a.
- 26 (j) An attempt or conspiracy to commit an offense listed in
- 27 subdivision (a), (e), (f), (g), (h), or (i).

- 1 (k) A violation of a substantially similar law of another
- 2 state, of a political subdivision of this state or another state,
- 3 or of the United States.
- 4 (1) Any other crime listed in subsection (1), if the
- 5 superintendent of public instruction determines the public health,
- 6 safety, or welfare requires emergency action based on the
- 7 circumstances underlying the conviction.
- 8 (3) The superintendent of public instruction after a hearing
- 9 shall not take action against a person's state board approval under
- 10 subsection (1) or (2) unless the superintendent of public
- 11 instruction finds that the conviction is reasonably and adversely
- 12 related to the person's present fitness to serve in an elementary
- 13 or secondary school in this state or that the conviction
- 14 demonstrates that the person is unfit to teach in an elementary or
- 15 secondary school in this state. Further, the superintendent of
- 16 public instruction may take action against a person's state board
- 17 approval under subsection (1) or (2) based on a conviction that
- 18 occurred before the effective date of the amendatory act that added
- 19 this subsection if the superintendent of public instruction finds
- 20 that the conviction is reasonably and adversely related to the
- 21 person's present fitness to serve in an elementary or secondary
- 22 school in this state.
- 23 (4) If a person who has entered a plea of guilt or no contest
- 24 to or who is the subject of a finding of guilt by a judge or jury
- 25 of a crime listed in subsection (2) has been suspended from active
- 26 performance of duty by a public school, school district,
- 27 intermediate school district, or nonpublic school during the

- 1 pendency of proceedings under this section, the public school,
- 2 school district, intermediate school district, or nonpublic school
- 3 employing the person shall discontinue the person's compensation
- 4 until the superintendent of public instruction has made a final
- 5 determination of whether or not to suspend or revoke the person's
- 6 state board approval. If the superintendent of public instruction
- 7 does not suspend or revoke the person's state board approval, the
- 8 public school, school district, intermediate school district, or
- 9 nonpublic school shall make the person whole for lost compensation,
- 10 without interest. However, if a collective bargaining agreement is
- 11 in effect as of the effective date of this subsection for employees
- 12 of a school district, intermediate school district, or public
- 13 school academy, and if the terms of that collective bargaining
- 14 agreement are inconsistent with this subsection, then this
- 15 subsection does not apply to that school district, intermediate
- 16 school district, or public school academy until after the
- 17 expiration of that collective bargaining agreement.
- 18 (5) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, after the
- 19 completion of the person's sentence, the person may request a
- 20 hearing before the superintendent of public instruction on
- 21 reinstatement of his or her state board approval. Based upon the
- 22 issues and evidence presented at the hearing, the superintendent of
- 23 public instruction may reinstate, continue the suspension of, or
- 24 permanently revoke the person's state board approval. The
- 25 superintendent of public instruction shall not reinstate a person's
- 26 state board approval unless the superintendent of public
- 27 instruction finds that the person is currently fit to serve in an

- 1 elementary or secondary school in this state and that reinstatement
- 2 of the person's state board approval will not adversely affect the
- 3 health, safety, and welfare of pupils. If a person's conviction was
- 4 for a listed offense, the person is not entitled to request a
- 5 hearing on reinstatement under this subsection, and the
- 6 superintendent of public instruction shall not reinstate the
- 7 person's state board approval under this subsection.
- **8** (6) All of the following apply to a person described in this
- 9 section whose conviction is reversed upon final appeal:
- 10 (a) The person's state board approval shall be reinstated upon
- 11 his or her notification to the superintendent of public instruction
- 12 of the reversal.
- 13 (b) If the suspension of the state board approval was the sole
- 14 cause of his or her discharge from employment, the person shall be
- 15 reinstated upon his or her notification to the appropriate local or
- 16 intermediate school board of the reversal, with full rights and
- 17 benefits, to the position he or she would have had if he or she had
- 18 been continuously employed.
- 19 (c) If the person's compensation was discontinued under
- 20 subsection (4), the public school, school district, intermediate
- 21 school district, or nonpublic school shall make the person whole
- 22 for lost compensation.
- 23 (7) If the prosecuting attorney in charge of a case receives a
- 24 form as provided under section 1230d, the prosecuting attorney
- 25 shall notify the superintendent of public instruction, and any
- 26 public school, school district, intermediate school district, or
- 27 nonpublic school in which the person is employed by forwarding a

- 1 copy of the form to each of them not later than 7 days after
- 2 receiving the form. If the court receives a form as provided under
- 3 section 1230d, the court shall notify the superintendent of public
- 4 instruction and any public school, school district, intermediate
- 5 school district, or nonpublic school in which the person is
- 6 employed by forwarding to each of them a copy of the form and
- 7 information regarding the sentence imposed on the person not later
- 8 than 7 days after the date of the sentencing, even if the court is
- 9 maintaining the file as a nonpublic record.
- 10 (8) Not later than 7 days after receiving notification from
- 11 the prosecuting attorney or the court under subsection (7) or
- 12 learning through an authoritative source that a person who holds
- 13 state board approval has been convicted of a crime listed in
- 14 subsection (1), the superintendent of public instruction shall
- 15 request the court to provide a certified copy of the judgment of
- 16 conviction and sentence or other document regarding the disposition
- 17 of the case to the superintendent of public instruction and shall
- 18 pay any fees required by the court. The court shall provide this
- 19 certified copy within 7 days after receiving the request and fees
- 20 under this section or after entry of the judgment or other
- 21 document, whichever is later, even if the court is maintaining the
- 22 judgment or other document as a nonpublic record.
- 23 (9) If the superintendent of a school district or intermediate
- 24 school district, the chief administrative officer of a nonpublic
- 25 school, the president of the board of a school district or
- 26 intermediate school district, or the president of the governing
- 27 board of a nonpublic school is notified or learns through an

- 1 authoritative source that a person who holds state board approval
- 2 and who is employed by the school district, intermediate school
- 3 district, or nonpublic school has been convicted of a crime
- 4 described in subsection (1) or (2), the superintendent, chief
- 5 administrative officer, or board president shall notify the
- 6 superintendent of public instruction of that conviction within 15
- 7 days after learning of the conviction.
- 8 (10) For the purposes of this section, a certified copy of the
- 9 judgment of conviction and sentence is conclusive evidence of
- 10 conviction of a crime described in this section. For the purposes
- 11 of this section, conviction of a crime described in this section is
- 12 considered to be reasonably and adversely related to the ability of
- 13 the person to serve in an elementary or secondary school and is
- 14 sufficient grounds for suspension or revocation of the person's
- 15 state board approval.
- 16 (11) For any hearing under subsection (1), if the
- 17 superintendent of public instruction does not complete the hearing
- 18 procedures and make a final decision and order within 120 working
- 19 days after receiving the request for the hearing, as required under
- 20 subsection (1), the superintendent of public instruction shall
- 21 submit a report detailing the reasons for the delay to the standing
- 22 committees and appropriations subcommittees of the senate and house
- 23 of representatives that have jurisdiction over education and
- 24 education appropriations. The failure of the superintendent of
- 25 public instruction to complete the hearing procedures and make a
- 26 final decision and order within this 120 working day time limit, or
- 27 the failure of any other official or agency to meet a time limit

- 1 prescribed in this section, does not affect the validity of an
- 2 action taken under this section affecting a person's state board
- 3 approval.
- 4 (12) Beginning July 1, 2004, the superintendent of public
- 5 instruction shall submit to the legislature a quarterly report of
- 6 all final actions he or she has taken under this section affecting
- 7 a person's state board approval during the preceding quarter. The
- 8 report shall contain at least all of the following with respect to
- 9 each person whose state board approval has been affected:
- 10 (a) The person's name, as it appears on the state board
- 11 approval.
- 12 (b) The school district, intermediate school district, public
- 13 school academy, or nonpublic school in which the person was
- 14 employed at the time of the conviction, if any.
- 15 (c) The offense for which the person was convicted and the
- 16 date of the offense and date of the conviction.
- 17 (d) Whether the action taken by the superintendent of public
- 18 instruction was a summary suspension, suspension due to failure to
- 19 request a hearing, suspension, revocation, or reinstatement of the
- 20 state board approval.
- 21 (13) This section does not do any of the following:
- 22 (a) Prohibit a person who holds state board approval from
- 23 seeking monetary compensation from a school board or intermediate
- 24 school board if that right is available under a collective
- 25 bargaining agreement or another statute.
- 26 (b) Limit the rights and powers granted to a school district
- 27 or intermediate school district under a collective bargaining

- 1 agreement, this act, or another statute to discipline or discharge
- 2 a person who holds state board approval.
- 3 (c) Exempt a person who holds state board approval from the
- 4 operation of section 1535a if the person holds a certificate
- 5 subject to that section.
- 6 (d) Limit the ability of a state licensing body to take action
- 7 against a person's license or registration for the same conviction.
- 8 (14) The superintendent of public instruction may promulgate,
- 9 as necessary, rules to implement this section pursuant to the
- administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to
- **11** 24.328.
- 12 (15) The department of information technology shall work with
- 13 the department and the department of state police to develop and
- 14 implement an automated program that does a comparison of the
- 15 department's list of individuals holding a teaching certificate or
- 16 state board approval with the conviction information received by
- 17 the department of state police. Unless otherwise prohibited by law,
- 18 this comparison shall include convictions contained in a nonpublic
- 19 record. The department and the department of state police shall
- 20 perform this comparison during January and June of each year until
- 21 July 1, 2008. If a comparison discloses that a person on the
- 22 department's list of individuals holding a teaching certificate or
- 23 state board approval has been convicted of a crime, the department
- 24 shall notify the superintendent or chief administrator and the
- 25 board or governing body of the school district, intermediate school
- 26 district, public school academy, or nonpublic school in which the
- 27 person is employed of that conviction. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL TAKE

1 REASONABLE MEASURES TO ENSURE THE ACCURACY OF INFORMATION UNDER

- 2 THIS SUBSECTION.
- 3 (16) As used in this section:
- 4 (a) "Conviction" means a judgment entered by a court upon a
- 5 plea of guilty, guilty but mentally ill, or nolo contendere or upon
- 6 a jury verdict or court finding that a defendant is guilty or
- 7 guilty but mentally ill.
- **8** (b) "Listed offense" means that term as defined in section 2
- 9 of the sex offenders registration act, 1994 PA 295, MCL 28.722.
- 10 (c) "Prosecuting attorney" means the prosecuting attorney for
- 11 a county, an assistant prosecuting attorney for a county, the
- 12 attorney general, the deputy attorney general, an assistant
- 13 attorney general, a special prosecuting attorney, or, in connection
- 14 with the prosecution of an ordinance violation, an attorney for the
- 15 political subdivision that enacted the ordinance upon which the
- 16 violation is based.
- 17 (d) "State board approval" means a license, certificate,
- 18 approval not requiring a teaching certificate, or other evidence of
- 19 qualifications to hold a particular position in a school district
- 20 or intermediate school district or in a nonpublic school, other
- 21 than a teacher's certificate subject to section 1535a, that is
- 22 issued to a person by the state board or the superintendent of
- 23 public instruction under this act or a rule promulgated under this
- **24** act.

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