HOUSE BILL No. 4387

March 7, 1989, Introduced by Reps. Hoffman, Martin, Barns, Walberg and Van Regenmorter and referred to the Committee on Corrections.

A bill to amend sections 3, 4, 6, 7, and 12 of Act No. 15 of the Public Acts of 1968, entitled as amended "Correctional industries act,"

as amended by Act No. 245 of the Public Acts of 1980, being sections 800.323, 800.324, 800.326, 800.327, and 800.332 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Section 1. Sections 3, 4, 6, 7, and 12 of Act No. 15 of the Public Acts of 1968, as amended by Act No. 245 of the Public Acts of 1980, being sections 800.323, 800.324, 800.326, 800.327, and 4 800.332 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, are amended to read as 5 follows:
- 6 Sec. 3. The authority and duties contained in this act are 7 vested in the -commission DEPARTMENT of corrections.

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- 1 Sec. 4. The commission DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT of 2 corrections may:
- 3 (a) Construct, use, equip, and maintain buildings, machin-
- 4 ery, boilers, and equipment which may be necessary to provide for
- 5 the employment of inmate labor in the state correctional institu-
- 6 tions for the manufacture of goods, wares, and merchandise and
- 7 the operation of services.
- 8 (b) Purchase new material to be used in the manufacture of
- 9 goods, wares, merchandise, and operation of services.
- (c) Dispose of the manufactured products or provide services
- If in the manner provided by law.
- (d) Continue to use and maintain the buildings, machinery,
- 13 boilers, and equipment in the manufacture of goods, wares, and
- 14 merchandise in the manner in the operation on April 5, 1968 and
- 15 use the facilities in the operation of service programs.
- (e) Recruit and employ agents and assistants through the
- 17 department of civil service as may be necessary to carry out the
- 18 purposes of this act and recommend to the department of civil
- 19 service classes and selection procedures which recognize the
- 20 unique needs of correctional industries in this state.
- 21 (f) Establish an advisory council for correctional indus-
- 22 tries in this state which shall include representatives of orga-
- 23 nized labor, private industry, state government, and the general
- 24 public.
- 25 Sec. 6. Correctional industries products may be sold,
- 26 exchanged, or purchased by institutions of this or any other
- 27 state or political subdivision -thereof OF A STATE, the federal

- 1 government or agencies of the federal government or any
- 2 organization that is a tax exempt organization under section
- 3 501(c)(3) of the internal revenue code. The labor of inmates
- 4 shall not be sold, hired, leased, loaned, contracted for, or oth-
- 5 erwise used for private or corporate profit or for any purpose
- 6 other than the construction, maintenance, or operation of public
- 7 works, ways, or property as directed by the governor. This act
- 8 shall not be construed to prohibit the sale at retail of articles
- 9 made by inmates for the personal benefit of themselves or their
- 10 dependents or the payment to inmates for personal services
- 11 rendered in the penal institutions, subject to regulations
- 12 approved by the commission DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT of cor-
- 13 rections, or the use of inmate labor upon agricultural land which
- 14 has been rented or leased by the department of corrections upon a
- 15 sharecropping or other basis.
- 16 Sec. 7. The commission DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT of cor-
- 17 rections shall provide as fully as practicable for the employment
- 18 of inmates in tasks consistent with the penal and rehabilitative
- 19 purposes of their imprisonment and with the public economy. The
- 20 types of employment shall be as follows:
- 21 (a) Routine maintenance and operation of the several
- 22 institutions.
- 23 (b) Educational and rehabilitation activities, whether
- 24 formal or through productive or socialized activities, determined
- 25 on the basis of individual needs and educability.
- 26 (c) Productive or maintenance labor on or in connection with
- 27 the institution farms, or other land rented or leased by the

- 1 department of corrections, factories, shops, or other available
- 2 facilities for the production and distribution of correctional
- 3 industries products and services.
- 4 (d) Labor assignments on state public works, ways, or prop-
- 5 erties when and as requisitioned by the governor or on county,
- 6 township, or district roads when requested by the county board of
- 7 commissioners pursuant to section 1 of Act No. 181 of the Public
- 8 Acts of 1911, as amended, being section 800.101 of the Michigan
- 9 Compiled Laws.
- 10 Sec. 12. The -commission- DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT of
- 11 corrections may adopt a schedule of payments or allowances to
- 12 inmates or to their dependents from the funds as may be provided
- 13 for the payment.
- 14 Section 2. This amendatory act shall not take effect unless
- 15 Senate Bill No. or House Bill No. 4378 (request
- 16 no. 01893'89) of the 85th Legislature is enacted into law.