



SENATE BILL No. 866

February 15, 1996, Introduced by Senators ROGERS, GOUGEON, HOFFMAN and CISKY and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter XIIIA of Act No. 288 of the Public Acts of 1939, entitled as amended

"An act to revise and consolidate the statutes relating to certain aspects of the organization and jurisdiction of the probate court of this state, the powers and duties of such court and the judges and other officers thereof, certain aspects of the statutes of descent and distribution of property, and the statutes governing the change of name of adults and children, the adoption of adults and children, and the jurisdiction of the juvenile division of the probate court; to prescribe the powers and duties of the juvenile division of the probate court, and the judges and other officers thereof; to prescribe the manner and time within which actions and proceedings may be brought in the juvenile division of the probate court; to prescribe pleading, evidence, practice, and procedure in actions and proceedings in the juvenile division of the probate court; to provide for appeals from the juvenile division of the probate court; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state departments, agencies, and officers; and to provide remedies and penalties for the violation of this act,"

as amended by Act No. 192 of the Public Acts of 1994, being section 712A.2 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Section 1. Section 2 of chapter XIIA of Act No. 288 of the
2 Public Acts of 1939, as amended by Act No. 192 of the Public Acts
3 of 1994, being section 712A.2 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is
4 amended to read as follows:

5 CHAPTER XIIA

6 Sec. 2. The juvenile division of the probate court has the
7 following authority and jurisdiction:

8 (a) Exclusive original jurisdiction superior to and regard-
9 less of the jurisdiction of any other court in proceedings con-
10 cerning a child under 17 years of age who is found within the
11 county if 1 or more of the following applies:

12 (1) Except as otherwise provided in this subparagraph, the
13 child has violated ~~any~~ A municipal ordinance or law of the
14 state or of the United States. The juvenile division of the pro-
15 bate court has jurisdiction over a child 15 years of age or older
16 who is charged with a violation of section 83, 89, 91, 186A, 316,
17 317, 520b, 529, or 529a of the Michigan penal code, Act No. 328
18 of the Public Acts of 1931, being sections 750.83, 750.89,
19 750.91, 750.186A, 750.316, 750.317, 750.520b, 750.529, and
20 750.529a of the Michigan Compiled Laws, or section 7401(2)(a)(i)
21 or 7403(2)(a)(i) of the public health code, Act No. 368 of the
22 Public Acts of 1978, being sections 333.7401 and 333.7403 of the
23 Michigan Compiled Laws, only if the prosecuting attorney files a
24 petition in juvenile court instead of authorizing a complaint and
25 warrant.

1 (2) The child has deserted his or her home without
2 sufficient cause and the court finds on the record that the child
3 has been placed or refused alternative placement or the child and
4 the child's parent, guardian, or custodian have exhausted or
5 refused family counseling.

6 (3) The child is repeatedly disobedient to the reasonable
7 and lawful commands of his or her parents, guardian, or custodian
8 and the court finds on the record by clear and convincing evi-
9 dence that court-accessed services are necessary.

10 (4) The child willfully and repeatedly absents himself or
11 herself from school or other learning program intended to meet
12 the child's educational needs, or repeatedly violates rules and
13 regulations of the school or other learning program, and the
14 court finds on the record that the child, the child's parent,
15 guardian, or custodian, and school officials or learning program
16 personnel have met on the child's educational problems, and edu-
17 cational counseling and alternative agency help have been
18 sought. As used in this subparagraph only, "learning program"
19 means an organized educational program that is appropriate, given
20 the age, intelligence, ability, and any psychological limitations
21 of a child, in the subject areas of reading, spelling, mathemat-
22 ics, science, history, civics, writing, and English grammar.

23 (b) Jurisdiction in proceedings concerning ~~any~~ A child
24 under 18 years of age found within the county:

25 (1) Whose parent or other person legally responsible for the
26 care and maintenance of the child, when able to do so, neglects
27 or refuses to provide proper or necessary support, education,

1 medical, surgical, or other care necessary for his or her health
2 or morals, who is subject to a substantial risk of harm to his or
3 her mental well-being, who is abandoned by his or her parents,
4 guardian, or other custodian, or who is without proper custody or
5 guardianship. As used in this subparagraph:

6 (A) "Education" means learning based on an organized educa-
7 tional program that is appropriate, given the age, intelligence,
8 ability, and any psychological limitations of a child, in the
9 subject areas of reading, spelling, mathematics, science, histo-
10 ry, civics, writing, and English grammar.

11 (B) "Without proper custody or guardianship" does not
12 include the situation where a parent has placed the child with
13 another person who is legally responsible for the care and main-
14 tenance of the child and who is able to and does provide the
15 child with proper care and maintenance.

16 (2) Whose home or environment, by reason of neglect, cruel-
17 ty, drunkenness, criminality, or depravity on the part of a
18 parent, guardian, or other custodian, is an unfit place for the
19 child to live in.

20 (3) Whose parent has substantially failed, without good
21 cause, to comply with a limited guardianship placement plan
22 described in section 424a of the revised probate code, Act
23 No. 642 of the Public Acts of 1978, being section 700.424a of the
24 Michigan Compiled Laws, regarding the child.

25 (4) Whose parent has substantially failed, without good
26 cause, to comply with a court-structured plan described in
27 section 424b or 424c of the revised probate code, Act No. 642 of

1 the Public Acts of 1978, being sections 700.424b and 700.424c of
2 the Michigan Compiled Laws, regarding the child.

3 (5) If the child has a guardian under the revised probate
4 code, Act No. 642 of the Public Acts of 1978, being sections
5 700.1 to 700.993 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, and the child's
6 parent meets both of the following criteria:

7 (A) The parent, having the ability to support or assist in
8 supporting the child, has failed or neglected, without good
9 cause, to provide regular and substantial support for the child
10 for a period of 2 years or more before the filing of the petition
11 or, if a support order has been entered, has failed to substan-
12 tially comply with the order for a period of 2 years or more
13 before the filing of the petition.

14 (B) The parent, having the ability to visit, contact, or
15 communicate with the child, has regularly and substantially
16 failed or neglected, without good cause, to do so for a period of
17 2 years or more before the filing of the petition.

18 If a petition is filed in ~~any~~ THE probate court alleging
19 that a child is within the provisions of subdivision (b)(1), (2),
20 (3), (4), or (5), and the custody of that child is subject to the
21 prior or continuing order of another court of record of this
22 state, the manner of notice to the other court and the authority
23 of the probate court to proceed is governed by rule of the
24 supreme court.

25 (c) Jurisdiction over children under 18 years of age, juris-
26 diction of whom has been waived to the juvenile division of the
27 probate court by a circuit court pursuant to a provision in a

1 temporary order for custody of children based upon a complaint
2 for divorce or upon a motion pursuant to a complaint for divorce
3 by the prosecuting attorney, in a divorce judgment dissolving a
4 marriage between the parents of the minor children, or by an
5 amended judgment relative to the custody of the child in a
6 divorce.

7 (d) If the court finds on the record that voluntary services
8 have been exhausted or refused, concurrent jurisdiction in pro-
9 ceedings concerning ~~any~~ A child between the ages of 17 and 18
10 found within the county:

11 (1) Who is repeatedly addicted to the use of drugs or the
12 intemperate use of alcoholic liquors.

13 (2) Who repeatedly associates with criminal, dissolute, or
14 disorderly persons.

15 (3) Who is found of his or her own free will and knowledge
16 in a house of prostitution, assignation, or ill-fame.

17 (4) Who repeatedly associates with thieves, prostitutes,
18 pimps, or procurers.

19 (5) Who is willfully disobedient to the reasonable and
20 lawful commands of his or her parents, guardian, or other custo-
21 dian and is in danger of becoming morally depraved.

22 If ~~any~~ A child is brought before the juvenile division of
23 the probate court in a county other than that in which the child
24 resides, the court may enter an order before a hearing transfer-
25 ring the jurisdiction of the matter to the court of the county of
26 residence, which shall not be construed as a legal settlement as
27 ~~defined~~ DESCRIBED in section 55 of the social welfare act, Act

1 No. 280 of the Public Acts of 1939, ~~as amended,~~ being section
2 400.55 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, with the consent of the
3 probate judge of the county of residence. The order, together
4 with a certified copy of the proceedings in the transferring
5 court, shall be delivered to the court of the county of
6 residence.

7 (e) Authority to establish or assist in developing a program
8 or programs within the county to prevent delinquency and provide
9 services to act upon reports submitted to the court related to
10 the behavior of children who do not require formal court juris-
11 diction but otherwise fall within subdivision (a). These serv-
12 ices shall be used only if they are voluntarily accepted by the
13 child and his or her parents, guardian, or custodian.

14 (f) If the court operates a detention home for children
15 within the court's jurisdiction under subdivision (a)(1), author-
16 ity to place a child within that home pending trial if the child
17 is within the circuit court's jurisdiction under section 606 of
18 the revised judicature act of 1961, Act No. 236 of the Public
19 Acts of 1961, being section 600.606 of the Michigan Compiled
20 Laws, or within the recorder's court of the city of Detroit's
21 jurisdiction under section 10a(1)(c) of Act No. 369 of the Public
22 Acts of 1919, being section 725.10a of the Michigan Compiled
23 Laws, and if the circuit court or the recorder's court of the
24 city of Detroit orders the juvenile division of the probate court
25 in the same county to place the child in that home. The juvenile
26 division shall comply with that order.

1 Section 2. This amendatory act shall not take effect unless
2 all of the following bills of the 88th Legislature are enacted
3 into law:

4 (a) Senate Bill No. 867

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6 (b) Senate Bill No. 868

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8 (c) Senate Bill No. 869

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10 (d) Senate Bill No. 870

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