

SENATE BILL NO. 416

March 9, 1999, Introduced by Senators HAMMERSTROM and ROGERS and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled
"The Michigan penal code,"
(MCL 750.1 to 750.568) by adding section 411r.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 SEC. 411R. (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (2), A
2 PERSON SHALL NOT DIRECT A LASER LIGHT BEAM FROM A LASER LIGHTING
3 DEVICE AGAINST ANOTHER PERSON WITH THE INTENT TO HARASS, ANNOY,
4 OR ALARM THAT OTHER PERSON. A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SUBSEC-
5 TION IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR, PUNISHABLE BY IMPRISONMENT FOR
6 NOT MORE THAN 90 DAYS OR A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$100.00, OR
7 BOTH.
8 (2) A PERSON SHALL NOT INTENTIONALLY DIRECT A LASER LIGHT
9 BEAM FROM A LASER LIGHTING DEVICE AGAINST AN ON-DUTY UNIFORMED
10 LOCAL, STATE, OR FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER, OR AGAINST AN
11 ON-DUTY NONUNIFORMED LOCAL, STATE, OR FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT

1 OFFICER WHOM THE PERSON DIRECTING THE LASER LIGHT BEAM KNOWS OR
2 REASONABLY SHOULD KNOW IS A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER. A PERSON
3 WHO VIOLATES THIS SUBSECTION IS GUILTY OF A FELONY, PUNISHABLE BY
4 IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN 4 YEARS OR A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN
5 \$2,500.00, OR BOTH.

6 (3) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "LASER LIGHTING DEVICE" MEANS A
7 DEVICE THAT EMITS A VISIBLE LASER LIGHT BEAM, AND INCLUDES, BUT
8 IS NOT LIMITED TO, DEVICES COMMONLY KNOWN AS LASER POINTERS AND
9 LASER PEN LIGHTS OR SIMILAR DEVICES INTENDED FOR THE PRIMARY PUR-
10 POSE OF INDICATING DIRECTION OR LOCATION OR TO IDENTIFY A SPE-
11 CIFIC OBJECT; AND ALSO INCLUDES DEVICES COMMONLY KNOWN AS LASER
12 SIGHTING DEVICES THAT ARE DESIGNED TO BE INTEGRATED WITH OR
13 ATTACHED TO A FIREARM AND THAT ASSIST IN THE AIMING OF THAT FIRE-
14 ARM BY EMITTING A VISIBLE LASER LIGHT BEAM.