

Act No. 205
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**STATE OF MICHIGAN
91ST LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION OF 2001**

Introduced by Senators Sikkema, Johnson, Bullard, McCotter, Hammerstrom, Goschka, Peters, Young, Byrum, North, Stille, Bennett, Koivisto, Steil, Schuette, Van Regenmorter, Scott, DeBeaussiaert, McManus, Gougeon, Dunaskiss, Miller, Hart, Murphy, Leland, Schwarz and Smith

ENROLLED SENATE BILL No. 725

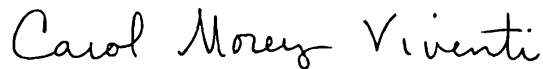
AN ACT to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the statutes relating to the organization and jurisdiction of the courts of this state; the powers and duties of such courts, and of the judges and other officers thereof; the forms and attributes of civil claims and actions; the time within which civil actions and proceedings may be brought in said courts; pleading, evidence, practice and procedure in civil and criminal actions and proceedings in said courts; to provide remedies and penalties for the violation of certain provisions of this act; to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with or contravening any of the provisions of this act; and to repeal acts and parts of acts," (MCL 600.101 to 600.9948) by adding section 2972.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

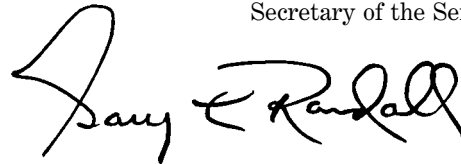
Sec. 2972. (1) When considering a motion to seal court records in a civil or criminal matter, if the motion involves an allegation of domestic violence, the court shall consider the safety of any alleged victim or potential victim of the domestic violence.

(2) As used in this section, "domestic violence" means that term as defined in section 1 of 1978 PA 389, MCL 400.1501.

Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect April 1, 2002.



Secretary of the Senate.



Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Approved

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Governor.