## HOUSE BILL NO. 4929

May 26, 2021, Introduced by Reps. Thanedar, Whiteford, Brann, O'Malley, Hammoud, Green, LaFave, Marino, Markkanen, Griffin, Meerman, Wozniak, Bezotte, Bellino, Allor, Howell, Aiyash, Camilleri, Puri and Whitsett and referred to the Committee on Health Policy.

A bill to amend 1939 PA 280, entitled

"The social welfare act,"

by amending section 57z (MCL 400.57z), as added by 2014 PA 395.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 57z. (1) If an applicant or recipient tests positive for
 use of a controlled substance and it is the first time that he or
 she tested positive for use of a controlled substance under the
 pilot program described in this section and section 57y, the
 department shall refer the individual to a department-designated

community mental health entity an administrative services 1 2 organization and, if he or she is otherwise eligible, provide or continue to provide family independence program assistance to him 3 or her. For an applicant described in this subsection, the cost of 4 5 administering the substance abuse test to him or her shall be 6 deducted from his or her first family independence program 7 assistance payment. For a recipient described in this subsection, 8 the cost of administering the substance abuse test to him or her 9 shall be deducted from his or her first family independence program 10 assistance payment after the redetermination. If the applicant or 11 recipient described in this subsection fails to participate in 12 treatment offered by the department-designated community mental health entity or fails to submit to periodic substance abuse 13 14 testing required by the department-designated community mental 15 health entity, administrative services organization, the department 16 shall terminate his or her family independence program assistance. 17 (2) If an applicant or recipient tests positive for use of a 18 controlled substance and it is the second or subsequent time that he or she tested positive for use of a controlled substance under 19

20 the pilot program described in this section and section 57y, he or 21 she is ineligible for family independence program assistance. If the applicant or recipient reapplies for family independence 22 23 program assistance, he or she must test negative for use of a 24 controlled substance in order to receive family independence 25 program assistance. The department may provide a referral to the applicant or recipient to a department-designated community mental 26 27 health entity an administrative services organization for substance 28 abuse treatment.

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(3) The pilot program described in this section and section

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57y shall begin not later than October 1, 2015 and conclude not
 later than September 30, 2016 but shall last not less than 1 year.
 (4) Not later than 60 days after the conclusion of the pilot
 program described in this section and section 57y, the department
 shall submit a report to the legislature that includes, at least,
 all of the following:

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(a) The number of individuals screened.

8 (b) The number of individuals screened for whom there was a9 reasonable suspicion of use of a controlled substance.

10 (c) The number of individuals who consented to submitting to a 11 substance abuse test.

12 (d) The number of individuals who refused to submit to a13 substance abuse test.

14 (e) The number of individuals who submitted to a substance15 abuse test who tested positive for use of a controlled substance.

16 (f) The number of individuals who submitted to a substance17 abuse test who tested negative for use of a controlled substance.

18 (g) The number of individuals who tested positive for use of a19 controlled substance a second or subsequent time.

20 (h) The amount of the costs incurred by the department for21 administering the program.

(i) The number of applicants and recipients who were referred
to a department-designated community mental health entity an
administrative services organization under this section.

(j) Sanctions, if any, that have been imposed on recipients asa result of the substance abuse testing under this section.

27 (5) For the purposes of this section and section 57y only, an
28 applicant or recipient is an individual who is 18 years of age or
29 older.

(6) For purposes of this section and section 57y only, "use of 1 2 a controlled substance" does not include a recipient or applicant who has a prescription for the controlled substance from a treating 3 physician or a recipient or applicant who tests positive for 4 marihuana. if the recipient or applicant is a gualifying patient 5 who has been issued and possesses a registry identification card 6 7 according to the Michigan medical marihuana act, 2008 IL 1, MCL 8 333.26421 to 333.26430.

9 (7) As used in this section and section 57y, "controlled
10 substance" means that term as defined in section 7104 of the public
11 health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.7104.

12 (8) As used in this section:

13 (a) "Department-designated community mental health entity"
14 means that term as defined in section 100a of the mental health
15 eode, 1974 PA 258, MCL 330.1100a.

16 (b) "Qualifying patient" and "registry identification card" 17 mean those terms as defined in section 3 of the Michigan medical 18 marihuana act, 2008 IL 1, MCL 333.26423.