HOUSE BILL No. 4522

A bill to amend 1927 PA 372, entitled

"An act to regulate and license the selling, purchasing, possessing, and carrying of certain firearms and gas ejecting devices; to prohibit the buying, selling, or carrying of certain firearms and gas ejecting devices without a license or other authorization; to provide for the forfeiture of firearms under certain circumstances; to provide for penalties and remedies; to provide immunity from civil liability under certain circumstances; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies; to prohibit certain conduct against individuals who apply for or receive a license to carry a concealed pistol; to make appropriations; to prescribe certain conditions for the appropriations; and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act,"

by amending section 5j (MCL 28.425j), as amended by 2004 PA 254.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 5j. (1) A pistol training or safety program described in section 5b(7)(c) meets the requirements for knowledge or training in the safe use and handling of a pistol only if the program

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March 17, 2005, Introduced by Reps. Sheltrown, Elsenheimer, Plakas, McDowell, Sak, Gillard, Dillon, Angerer, Vagnozzi, Kehrl, Gosselin, Cushingberry, Brown, Mayes and Kathleen Law and referred to the Committee on Conservation, Forestry, and Outdoor Recreation.

1 consists of not less than 8 hours of instruction and all of the 2 following conditions are met:

3 (a) The program is certified by this state or a national or
4 state firearms training organization and provides 5 hours of
5 instruction in, but is not limited to providing instruction in, all
6 of the following:

7 (i) The safe storage, use, and handling of a pistol including,
8 but not limited to, safe storage, use, and handling to protect
9 child safety.

10 (*ii*) Ammunition knowledge, and the fundamentals of pistol11 shooting.

12 (*iii*) Pistol shooting positions.

(*iv*) Firearms and the law, including civil liability issues and
the use of deadly force. This portion shall be taught by an
attorney or an individual trained in the use of deadly force.

16 (v) Avoiding criminal attack and controlling a violent17 confrontation.

18 (vi) All laws that apply to carrying a concealed pistol in this19 state.

20 (b) The program provides at least 3 hours of instruction on a21 firing range and requires firing at least 30 rounds of ammunition.

(c) The program provides a certificate of completion that states the program complies with the requirements of this section and that the individual successfully completed the course, and that contains the printed name and signature of the course instructor. Not later than October 1, 2004, the certificate of completion shall contain the statement, "This course complies with section 5j of

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1 1927 PA 372."

2 (d) The instructor of the course is certified by this state or
3 a national organization to teach the 8-hour pistol safety training
4 course described in this section.

5 (2) A person shall not do either of the following:

6 (a) Grant a certificate of completion described under
7 subsection (1)(c) to an individual knowing the individual did not
8 satisfactorily complete the course.

9 (b) Present a certificate of completion described under
10 subsection (1)(c) to a concealed weapon licensing board knowing
11 that the individual did not satisfactorily complete the course.

(3) A person who violates subsection (2) is guilty of a felony
punishable by imprisonment for not more than 4 years or a fine of
not more than \$2,500.00, or both.

15 (4) A concealed weapons licensing board shall not require that a specific form, color, wording, or other content appear on a 16 certificate of completion, except as provided in subsection (5), 17 and shall accept as valid a certificate of completion issued prior 18 19 to the effective date of the amendatory act that added this 20 subsection BEFORE JULY 23, 2004, that contains an inaccurate reference or no reference to this section but otherwise complies 21 with this section. 22

(5) Beginning October 1, 2004, a concealed weapons licensing
board shall require that a certificate of completion contain the
statement, "This course complies with section 5j of 1927 PA 372.".

26 (6) THE TRAINING REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 5B(7)(C) AND THIS
27 SECTION DO NOT APPLY TO AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS HONORABLY DISCHARGED

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FROM THE ARMED FORCES OF THIS STATE, ANOTHER STATE, OR THE UNITED
 STATES.