HOUSE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 590

A bill to provide remedies for the victims of human trafficking.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "human
- 2 trafficking victims compensation act".
- 3 Sec. 2. As used in this act, "victim" means a victim of a
- 4 violation of chapter LXVIIA of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA
- 5 328, MCL 750.462a to 750.462h.
- 6 Sec. 3. (1) A person who violates chapter LXVIIA of the
- 7 Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.462a to 750.462h, is
- 8 liable to the victim of the violation for economic and noneconomic
- 9 damages that result from the violation, including, but not limited
- to, all of the following:

- 1 (a) Physical pain and suffering.
- 2 (b) Mental anguish.
- 3 (c) Fright and shock.
- 4 (d) Denial of social pleasure and enjoyments.
- 5 (e) Embarrassment, humiliation, or mortification.
- 6 (f) Disability.
- 7 (g) Disfigurement.
- 8 (h) Aggravation of a preexisting ailment or condition.
- 9 (i) Reasonable expenses of necessary medical or psychological
- 10 care, treatment, and services.
- 11 (j) Loss of earnings or earning capacity.
- 12 (k) Damage to property.
- 13 (l) Any other necessary and reasonable expense incurred as a
- 14 result of the violation.
- 15 (2) A victim is entitled to damages under subsection (1) to
- 16 the extent the victim has sustained the damages, regardless of
- 17 whether the victim suffered any physical injury as a result of the
- 18 violation.
- 19 (3) A victim is entitled to damages under subsection (1)
- 20 regardless of whether the damages sustained were foreseeable to the
- 21 violator.
- 22 (4) A victim is entitled to damages under subsection (1)
- 23 regardless of whether the violator was charged with or convicted of
- 24 a violation of chapter LXVIIA of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA
- 25 328, MCL 750.462a to 750.462h.
- 26 Sec. 4. An action to recover damages under section 3 must be
- 27 filed within 3 years after the last violation that is the subject

- 1 of the action occurred.
- 2 Sec. 5. This act does not affect any right that a victim has
- 3 to recover damages under other law.
- 4 Enacting section 1. This act takes effect 90 days after the
- 5 date it is enacted into law.
- 6 Enacting section 2. This act does not take effect unless House
- 7 Bill No. 5234 of the 97th Legislature is enacted into law.