## SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 4273

A bill to designate the fourth Friday in April of each year as children's memorial day in the state of Michigan.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 1. (1) The legislature recognizes the great number of
- 2 tragic deaths of children of all ages from all causes that occur
- 3 each year. Each day in America many children and youths under
- 4 age 20 commit suicide, are victims of a homicide, or die as a
- 5 result of accidents. Many more children die from illness. In
- 6 commemoration of this terrible toll, the legislature declares
- 7 that the fourth Friday in April of each year shall be known as
- 8 "Children's Memorial Day".
- **9** (2) The legislature encourages individuals, educational
- 10 institutions, and social, community, religious, labor, and
- 11 business organizations to pause on children's memorial day and

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- 1 reflect upon the precious resource that our children constitute
- 2 and the great loss we suffer when we lose our children.