

SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE BILL NO. 1302

A bill to amend 1939 PA 280, entitled
"The social welfare act,"
by amending section 48 (MCL 400.48), as amended by 1996 PA 423.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 48. ~~(1) The~~ **SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBSECTION,**
2 **THE DEPARTMENT** director ~~of the family independence agency~~ may
3 organize ~~2~~ **NOT MORE THAN 3** counties into a single administrative
4 unit for purposes of administrative efficiency. **BEFORE A DECISION**
5 **IS MADE TO ORGANIZE COUNTIES INTO A SINGLE ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT AS**
6 **ALLOWED UNDER THIS SECTION, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL HAVE A FORMAL**
7 **CONSULTATION WITH THE BOARDS OF THOSE COUNTIES.** The director of the
8 single administrative unit shall be appointed by the ~~family~~
9 ~~independence agency~~ **DEPARTMENT** from among persons certified as

1 eligible and recommended by the ~~family independence agency~~
2 **DEPARTMENT** and by all of the affected county boards. If the
3 affected county boards are unable to reach agreement on recommended
4 candidates within 3 months after being notified of a vacancy, the
5 director of the single administrative unit shall be appointed by
6 the ~~family independence agency~~ **DEPARTMENT** from among persons
7 certified as eligible and recommended by the ~~family independence~~
8 ~~agency~~ **DEPARTMENT** and by 1 or more of the affected county boards.

9 ~~—— (2) The director of the family independence agency may~~
10 ~~establish a pilot project combining Lapeer, Huron, and Tuscola~~
11 ~~counties into a single administrative unit. The director of the~~
12 ~~single administrative unit shall be appointed in accordance with~~
13 ~~subsection (1). Not later than 2 years after the effective date of~~
14 ~~the amendatory act that added this subsection, the department shall~~
15 ~~submit a report to the legislature on the effect of the pilot~~
16 ~~project.~~