

HOUSE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
SENATE BILL NO. 439

A bill to amend 2008 PA 260, entitled  
"Guardianship assistance act,"  
by amending section 6 (MCL 722.876), as amended by 2009 PA 15.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1       Sec. 6. (1) ~~The~~**EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (2), THE**  
2       department shall not provide guardianship assistance after 1 of the  
3       following occurs:

4       (a) The child reaches 18 years of age.

5       (b) The department determines that the guardian is no longer  
6       legally responsible for support of the child.

7       (c) The department determines that the child is no longer  
8       receiving any support from the relative guardian.

9       (d) The death of the child.

1 (e) The child is adopted by the guardian or another individual  
2 under the Michigan adoption code, chapter X of the probate code,  
3 MCL 710.21 to 710.70, or the adoption laws of any other state or  
4 country.

5 (f) The guardianship is terminated by order of the court  
6 having jurisdiction in the guardianship proceeding.

7 (g) The death of the guardian.

8 **(2) THE DEPARTMENT MAY PROVIDE EXTENDED GUARDIANSHIP**  
9 **ASSISTANCE UNTIL THE YOUTH REACHES THE AGE OF 21 IF THE YOUTH MEETS**  
10 **THE REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH IN THE YOUNG ADULT VOLUNTARY FOSTER CARE**  
11 **ACT.**

12 (3) ~~(2)~~—The department shall send notice of termination of  
13 guardianship assistance under this section by mail to the guardian  
14 at the guardian's current or last known address and to the court  
15 with jurisdiction over the guardianship case. Notice mailed under  
16 this subsection shall include a statement of the department's  
17 reason for termination.

18 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect  
19 unless Senate Bill No. 435 of the 96th Legislature is enacted into  
20 law.