HOUSE BILL NO. 6115

November 14, 2024, Introduced by Reps. Hoskins, McKinney and Aiyash and referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice.

A bill to amend 2017 PA 128, entitled "Law enforcement officer separation of service record act," by amending sections 1, 2, 3, and 5 (MCL 28.561, 28.562, 28.563, and 28.565), section 5 as amended by 2018 PA 522, by designating sections 1 and 2 as article 1 and sections 3 to 5 as article 2, and by adding articles 3 and 4.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 ARTICLE 1
2 DEFINITIONS
3 Sec. 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "law"

- 1 enforcement officer separation of service record act"."law
 2 enforcement officer service records act".
- 3 Sec. 2. As used in this act:

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- 4 (a) "Commission" means the Michigan commission on law
 5 enforcement standards created in section 3 of the Michigan
 6 commission on law enforcement standards act, 1965 PA 203, MCL
 7 28.603.
 - (b) "Former employing law enforcement agency" means a law enforcement agency in this state that was the employer of, or that issued an oath of office to, a law enforcement officer licensed under the Michigan commission on law enforcement standards act, 1965 PA 203, MCL 28.601 to 28.615, and that was required to maintain an employment history record for that law enforcement officer under the Michigan commission on law enforcement standards act, 1965 PA 203, MCL 28.601 to 28.615. "Law enforcement officer" means an individual who is licensed under the Michigan commission on law enforcement standards act, 1965 PA 203, MCL 28.601 to 28.615, or was previously employed as a licensed or certified law
- 20 (c) "Separated law enforcement officer" means a law
 21 enforcement officer who meets both of the following requirements:
- 22 (i) Has left employment with a former employing law enforcement 23 agency.
- 24 (ii) Requests and receives a separation of service record under 25 article 2.
- 26 (d) "Separating law enforcement officer" means a law
 27 enforcement officer who meets all of the following requirements:
- 28 (i) Is currently employed with a current employing law
 29 enforcement agency at the time of requesting a provisional service

- 1 record under article 3.
- 2 (ii) Intends to leave the employment with the current employing
- 3 law enforcement agency to take a position with a prospective
- 4 employing law enforcement agency.
- 5 (iii) Requests and receives a provisional service record under 6 article 3.
- 7 ARTICLE 2

8 LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER SEPARATION OF SERVICE RECORD

- 9 Sec. 3. (1) In addition to the employment history record
- 10 required to be maintained under the Michigan commission on law
- 11 enforcement standards act, 1965 PA 203, MCL 28.601 to 28.615, by a
- 12 law enforcement agency, for each officer it employs or for each
- 13 officer to whom the chief of police of a village, city, or township
- 14 or county sheriff has administered an oath of office, a former
- 15 employing law enforcement agency shall create and maintain a
- 16 separate record regarding the reason or reasons for, and all
- 17 circumstances surrounding, a separation of service for each law
- 18 enforcement officer for whom the law enforcement agency is required
- 19 to maintain an employment history record under the Michigan
- 20 commission on law enforcement standards act, 1965 PA 203, MCL
- 21 28.601 to 28.615, who subsequently separates from the law
- 22 enforcement agency or from his or her the law enforcement officer's
- 23 employment as a licensed law enforcement officer requiring the
- 24 administration of an oath of office under section 9c or 9d under
- 25 section 9, 9b, 9c, or 9d of the Michigan commission on law
- 26 enforcement standards act, 1965 PA 203, MCL 28.609, 28.609b,
- 27 28.609c, and 28.609d. The separation of service record required to
- 28 be maintained under this subsection must contain information
- 29 required by and be in a form prescribed by the commission and

- 1 include, but is not limited to, any disciplinary process or
- 2 investigation against the separated law enforcement officer that
- 3 was active within 1 year before the date of the law enforcement
- 4 officer's separation.
- 5 (2) A former employing law enforcement agency shall finalize a
- 6 separation of service record within 5 business days after the date
- 7 of the law enforcement officer's separation. Except as otherwise
- 8 provided in subsection (5), a separation of service record must not
- 9 be amended or altered after it has been finalized.
- 10 (3) Within 3 days after finalizing the separation of service
- 11 record, a former employing law enforcement agency shall send to a
- 12 separated law enforcement officer a written notice that includes
- 13 all the following statements:
- 14 (a) That the separation of service record has been finalized.
- 15 (b) That the separated law enforcement officer has the right
- 16 to review the separation of service record upon written request by
- 17 that separated law enforcement officer.
- 18 (c) That the separated law enforcement officer has a right to
- 19 disagree with the accuracy of the contents of the separation of
- 20 service record.
- 21 (d) That, if the separated law enforcement officer disagrees
- 22 with the accuracy of the contents of the separation of service
- 23 record, the separated law enforcement officer may request that the
- 24 former employing law enforcement agency supplement the separation
- 25 of service record to correct or disclaim the portion the separated
- 26 law enforcement officer believes is incorrect.
- 27 (4) (2) The former employing law enforcement agency shall
- 28 allow a separating separated law enforcement officer to review a
- 29 record prepared under subsection (1) upon the written request of

- the separating separated law enforcement officer. A former employing law enforcement agency must provide the separation of service record within 3 days after receiving the written request described under this subsection.
- 5 (5) (3) If a separating A separated law enforcement officer 6 who disagrees with the accuracy of the contents of the separation 7 of service record prepared under subsection (1), he or she may, 8 within 7 calendar days after receipt of the separation of service 9 record, request the correction or removal disclaimer of the portion 10 of the record he or she the separated law enforcement officer 11 believes is incorrect. On receipt of the request under this subsection, the former employing law enforcement agency and the 12 separated law enforcement officer may, within 7 calendar days after 13 14 receipt of the request, agree on the contents of the supplement to 15 the separation of service record. If the former employing law 16 enforcement agency and the separating separated law enforcement 17 officer cannot reach an agreement on the contents of the record 18 prepared under subsection (1), supplement to the separation of 19 service record, the separating separated law enforcement officer 20 may, within 7 calendar days after the date to reach an agreement on 21 the contents of the supplement to the separation of service record 22 has expired, submit a written statement explaining the separating 23 separated law enforcement officer's position and the basis for his 24 or her the separated law enforcement officer's disagreement. If a 25 separating separated law enforcement officer submits a timely written statement under this subsection, it must be kept with the 26 separation of service record required under subsection (1) and 27 28 provided with the rest of the contents of the record as required 29 under section 5.

Sec. 5. (1) A law enforcement officer who is licensed or who 1 2 was previously licensed or certified under the Michigan commission on law enforcement standards act, 1965 PA 203, MCL 28.601 to 3 28.615, and was previously employed as a law enforcement officer in 4 5 this state, who separates from his or her an employing law 6 enforcement agency or from employment as a law enforcement officer, to whom an oath of office has been administered under section 9c or 7 8 9d of the Michigan commission on law enforcement standards act, 9 1965 PA 203, MCL 28.609c and 28.609d, and who subsequently seeks to 10 become reemployed as a licensed law enforcement officer in this 11 state, shall provide to the prospective employing law enforcement 12 agency, upon receiving a conditional offer of application for employment, a signed waiver. A waiver executed under this 13 14 subsection must expressly allow the prospective employing law 15 enforcement agency to contact the law enforcement officer's former 16 employing law enforcement agency or agencies and seek obtain a copy 17 of the **separation of service** record regarding the reason or reasons 18 for, and all circumstances surrounding, his or her the separated 19 law enforcement officer's separation of service record created by 20 his or her the separated law enforcement officer's former employing 21 law enforcement agency or agencies under section 3. (2) A waiver under subsection (1) must be executed on a form 22 23 provided by the commission to all law enforcement agencies in this 24 state that employ or administer oaths of office to law enforcement 25 officers licensed under the Michigan commission on law enforcement standards act, 1965 PA 203, MCL 28.601 to 28.615, to enforce the 26 27 laws of this state. The prospective employing law enforcement agency is responsible for providing the waiver executed under 28 29 subsection (1) to the former employing law enforcement agency or

1 agencies.

- (3) Upon receipt of the waiver executed under subsection (1), a former employing law enforcement agency shall provide, along with other information required or allowed to be provided by law, a written copy of the separation of service record required under section 3 to the prospective employing law enforcement agency.
 - (4) A prospective employing law enforcement agency shall not hire a law enforcement officer to whom subsection (1) applies unless the prospective employing law enforcement agency receives the record created under section 3 from the law enforcement officer's former employing law enforcement agency or agencies.
- (5) A former employing law enforcement agency that discloses information under this section in good faith after receipt of a waiver executed under subsection (1) is immune from civil liability for the disclosure. A former employing law enforcement agency is presumed to be acting in good faith at the time of a disclosure under this section unless a preponderance of the evidence establishes 1 or more of the following:
- (a) That the former employing law enforcement agency knew that the information disclosed was false or misleading.
- (b) That the former employing law enforcement agency disclosed the information with a reckless disregard for the truth.
- 23 (c) That the disclosure was specifically prohibited by a state
 24 or federal statute.
 - (6) A prospective employing law enforcement agency that receives a record maintained under section 3 from the law enforcement officer's former employing law enforcement agency or agencies shall, upon written request from the commission, provide a copy of the record requested to the commission for the purpose of

determining compliance with licensing standards and procedures 1 2 under the Michigan commission on law enforcement standards act, 1965 PA 203, MCL 28.601 to 28.615. 3 4 (7) A law enforcement agency that is required to maintain a record under section 3 shall, upon written request from the 5 6 commission, provide a copy of the record requested to the 7 commission for the purpose of determining compliance with licensing 8 standards and procedures under the Michigan commission on law 9 enforcement standards act, 1965 PA 203, MCL 28,601 to 28,615. 10 ARTICLE 3 11 LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER PROVISIONAL SERVICE RECORD Sec. 6. In addition to the employment history record required 12 13 to be maintained under the Michigan commission on law enforcement 14 standards act, 1965 PA 203, MCL 28.601 to 28.615, and the 15 separation of service record required to be created and maintained 16 under article 2, a current employing law enforcement agency may, on 17 receipt of the waiver described under section 7, create and 18 maintain a provisional service record for a separating law 19 enforcement officer. The provisional service record required to be 20 maintained under this subsection must contain information required 21 by and be in a form prescribed by the commission and include, but 22 is not limited to, any disciplinary process, performance plan, or 23 investigation against the separating law enforcement officer by any 24 law enforcement agency that was active within 1 year before the 25 date of the separating law enforcement officer's request for the 26 provisional service record. 27 Sec. 7 (1) A separating law enforcement officer who requests a 28 provisional service record under section 6 shall provide to the 29 prospective employing law enforcement agency, upon receiving a

- 1 conditional offer of application for employment, a signed waiver. A
- 2 waiver executed under this subsection must expressly allow the
- 3 prospective employing law enforcement agency to contact the current
- 4 employing law enforcement agency to obtain a copy of the
- 5 provisional service record.
- 6 (2) A current employing law enforcement agency shall finalize
- 7 the provisional service record within 5 business days after the
- 8 receipt of the waiver described under subsection (1). Except as
- 9 otherwise provided in subsection (5), a provisional service record
- 10 must not be amended or altered after it has been finalized.
- 11 (3) Within 3 days after finalizing the provisional service
- 12 record, a current employing law enforcement agency shall send to a
- 13 separating law enforcement officer a written notice that includes
- 14 all of the following statements:
 - (a) That the provisional service record has been finalized.
- 16 (b) That the separating law enforcement officer has the right
- 17 to review the provisional service record upon written request by
- 18 that separating law enforcement officer.
- 19 (c) That the separating law enforcement officer has a right to
- 20 disagree with the accuracy of the contents of the provisional
- 21 service record.

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- 22 (d) That if the separating law enforcement officer disagrees
- 23 with the accuracy of the contents of the provisional service
- 24 record, the separating law enforcement officer may request that the
- 25 current employing law enforcement agency supplement the provisional
- 26 service record to correct or disclaim the portion the separating
- 27 law enforcement officer believes is incorrect.
- 28 (4) The current employing law enforcement agency shall allow a
- 29 separating law enforcement officer to review the provisional

1 service record upon the written request of the separating law 2 enforcement officer. A current employing law enforcement agency 3 must provide the provisional service record within 3 days after 4 receiving the written request described under this subsection. 5 (5) A separating law enforcement officer who disagrees with 6 the accuracy of the contents of the provisional service record 7 prepared under section 6 may, within 7 calendar days after receipt 8 of the provisional service record, request the correction or 9 disclaimer of the portion of the provisional service record the 10 separating law enforcement officer believes is incorrect. On 11 receipt of the request under this subsection, the current employing 12 law enforcement agency and the separating law enforcement officer 13 may, within 7 calendar days after receipt of the request, agree on 14 the contents of the supplement to the provisional service record. 15 If the current employing law enforcement agency and the separating law enforcement officer cannot reach an agreement on the contents 16 17 of the supplement to the provisional service record, the separating 18 law enforcement officer may, within 7 calendar days after the date 19 to reach an agreement on the contents of the supplement to the 20 provisional service record has expired, submit a written statement 21 explaining the separating law enforcement officer's position and 22 the basis for the separating law enforcement officer's disagreement. If a separating law enforcement officer submits a 23 24 timely written statement under this subsection, the request must be 25 kept with the provisional service record required under section 6 26 and provided with the rest of the contents of the provisional 27 service record as required under this article. 28 ARTICLE 4 29 GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 1 Sec. 9. A law enforcement agency that discloses information
- 2 under this act in good faith after receipt of a waiver executed
- 3 under article 2 or 3 is immune from civil liability for the
- 4 disclosure. A law enforcement agency is conducting a government
- 5 function and is presumed to be acting in good faith at the time of
- 6 a disclosure under this act unless a preponderance of the evidence
- 7 establishes 1 or more of the following:
- 8 (a) That the law enforcement agency knew that the information
- 9 disclosed was false or misleading.
- 10 (b) That the law enforcement agency disclosed the information
- 11 with a reckless disregard for the truth.
- 12 (c) That the disclosure was specifically prohibited by a state
- 13 or federal statute.
- 14 Sec. 10. (1) A prospective employing law enforcement agency
- 15 that receives a separation of service record maintained under
- 16 section 3 from the separated law enforcement officer's former
- 17 employing law enforcement agency or a provisional service record
- 18 prepared under section 6 from the separating law enforcement
- 19 officer's current employing law enforcement agency shall, upon
- 20 written request from the commission, provide a copy of the
- 21 separation of service record or provisional service record
- 22 requested to the commission for the purpose of determining
- 23 compliance with licensing standards and procedures under the
- 24 Michigan commission on law enforcement standards act, 1965 PA 203,
- 25 MCL 28.601 to 28.615.
- 26 (2) A law enforcement agency that is required to create and
- 27 maintain a separation of service record under section 3 or
- 28 provisional service record under section 6 shall, upon written
- 29 request from the commission, provide a copy of the separation of

- 1 service record or provisional service record requested to the
- 2 commission for the purpose of determining compliance with licensing
- 3 standards and procedures under the Michigan commission on law
- 4 enforcement standards act, 1965 PA 203, MCL 28.601 to 28.615.
- 5 Sec. 11. (1) The creation and maintenance of a separation of
- 6 service record under article 2 does not relieve a law enforcement
- 7 agency from its obligation to create a provisional service record
- 8 if a separating law enforcement officer requests the creation of
- 9 the provisional service record before the law enforcement officer
- 10 separates from that law enforcement agency.
- 11 (2) The creation and maintenance of a provisional service
- 12 record under article 3 does not relieve a law enforcement agency
- 13 from its obligation to create a separation of service record after
- 14 a law enforcement officer separates from that law enforcement
- 15 agency.