

**BOND COVERAGE FOR OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF COUNTIES**  
**Act 588 of 1978**

AN ACT to provide bond coverage for officers and employees of counties; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts.

**History:** 1978, Act 588, Eff. Jan. 8, 1979.

*The People of the State of Michigan enact:*

**45.381 Bond coverage for officers or employees of county; determination by county board of commissioners.**

Sec. 1. (1) Each officer or employee of a county that is required by statute to furnish a bond conditioned on the officer's or employee's honesty or faithful discharge of the officer's or employee's duties shall be covered by a blanket bond by a surety company approved by the county board of commissioners or by an individual bond by a surety company approved by the county board of commissioners for the officer or employee.

(2) The county board of commissioners shall determine whether a single bond for all officers and employees or individual bonds for all officers or employees or a combination of a blanket bond and individual bonds best serves the county.

(3) In determining adequate coverage, the county board of commissioners may obtain bond coverage with provisions relative to problems of a unique nature, including loss deductible or coinsurance provisions.

**History:** 1978, Act 588, Eff. Jan. 8, 1979.

**45.382 Notification of surety companies; contract.**

Sec. 2. In obtaining bond coverage under this act, the county board of commissioners shall notify all surety companies authorized to do business in the county of this act and shall contract for adequate coverage.

**History:** 1978, Act 588, Eff. Jan. 8, 1979.

**45.383 Completion of bonding requirement; termination of honesty and faithful discharge of duty bonds.**

Sec. 3. Within 1 year after the effective date of this act, the county board of commissioners shall complete the bonding requirement as required by this act and shall negotiate for the termination of all honesty and faithful discharge of duty bonds otherwise in full force and effect under any other law and secure all refunds provided by those terminations and deposit the refunds to the general fund of the county.

**History:** 1978, Act 588, Eff. Jan. 8, 1979.

**45.384 Repeal of MCL 45.351 and 45.371.**

Sec. 4. Act No. 27 of the Public Acts of 1873, being section 45.351 of the Compiled Laws of 1970, and Act No. 251 of the Public Acts of 1947, being section 45.371 of the Compiled Laws of 1970, are repealed.

**History:** 1978, Act 588, Eff. Jan. 8, 1979.

**45.385 Conditional effective date.**

Sec. 5. This act shall not take effect unless Senate Bills No. 1488, 1490, 1492, 1494 and 1493 of the 1978 regular session of the legislature are enacted into law.

**History:** 1978, Act 588, Eff. Jan. 8, 1979.

**Compiler's note:** Senate Bill No. 1488, referred to in this section, was approved by the Governor on January 8, 1979, and became P.A. 1978, No. 635, Imd. Eff. Jan. 8, 1979. Senate Bill No. 1490 was approved by the Governor on January 4, 1979, and became P.A. 1978, No. 592, Imd. Eff. Jan. 4, 1979. Senate Bill No. 1492 was approved by the Governor on January 8, 1979, and became P.A. 1978, No. 633, Imd. Eff. Jan. 8, 1979. Senate Bill No. 1494 was approved by the Governor on January 3, 1979, and became P.A. 1978, No. 585, Imd. Eff. Jan. 3, 1979; and Senate Bill No. 1493 was approved by the Governor on January 2, 1979, and became P.A. 1978, No. 569, Imd. Eff. Jan. 2, 1979.