



HOUSE BILL No. 5508

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A bill to create the juvenile gang board to prescribe the powers and duties of the board to create the juvenile gang fund and to provide for the distribution of money from the juvenile gang fund

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT

1 Sec 1 This act shall be known and may be cited as the
2 juvenile gang act

3 Sec 2 (1) The juvenile gang board is created in the
4 department of attorney general The juvenile gang board shall
5 consist of the following members

6 (a) The attorney general or his or her representative

7 (b) The director of the department of state police or his or
8 her representative

9 (c) The director of the department of public health or his
10 or her representative

1 (d) The director of the department of social services or his
2 or her representative

3 (e) One individual appointed by the governor, with the
4 advice and consent of the senate representing the interests of
5 the public

6 (2) The individual described in subsection (1)(e) shall be
7 appointed within the expiration of 30 days after the effective
8 date of this act His or her term of office is 2 years A
9 vacancy shall be filled in the same manner as an original
10 appointment The governor may remove the individual from the
11 juvenile gang board for good cause

12 (3) The attorney general or his or her representative shall
13 chair the juvenile gang board The juvenile gang board may elect
14 from its members other officers as it considers necessary or
15 appropriate

16 (4) The juvenile gang board shall conduct its first meeting
17 within the expiration of 60 days after the effective date of this
18 act A majority of the members constitutes a quorum for trans-
19 acting business

20 (5) The business of the juvenile gang board shall be con-
21 ducted at public meetings of the juvenile gang board The meet-
22 ing shall be held in compliance with the open meetings act, Act
23 No 267 of the Public Acts of 1976, being sections 15 261 to
24 15 275 of the Michigan Compiled Laws

25 (6) A writing prepared, owned used in possession of or
26 retained by the juvenile gang board is subject to the freedom of

1 information act, Act No 442 of the Public Acts of 1976, being
2 sections 15 231 to 15 246 of the Michigan Compiled Laws

3 (7) Members of the juvenile gang board shall serve without
4 compensation However, members of the juvenile gang board may be
5 reimbursed for their actual and necessary expenses in performing
6 their official duties as members of the juvenile gang board

7 (8) The juvenile gang board shall be funded as provided by
8 appropriation

9 Sec 3 The juvenile gang board shall do all of the
10 following

11 (a) Collect data regarding the incidence of juvenile gang
12 violence in this state

13 (b) Investigate the causes of juvenile gang violence in this
14 state and determine whether programs exist or can be developed to
15 address those causes

16 (c) Determine whether funding sources other than the juve-
17 nile gang fund exist to support public and private efforts to
18 address juvenile gang violence and notify public and private
19 entities that inquire about the availability of those funds

20 (d) Solicit funds from public and private entities for con-
21 tribution to the juvenile gang fund

22 (e) Accept applications from public and private entities for
23 funding programs to address juvenile gang violence in this
24 state

25 (f) Distribute money from the juvenile gang fund to entities
26 that qualify as provided under section 6

1 (g) Before January 1 of each year, provide a written report
2 of its activities and findings to the governor the secretary of
3 the senate, and the clerk of the house of representatives

4 Sec 4 (1) The juvenile gang fund is created as a separate
5 fund in the state treasury The state treasurer shall credit to
6 the fund all amounts received pursuant to this act The state
7 treasurer shall invest fund money in the same manner as surplus
8 funds are invested under section 143 of Act No 105 of the Public
9 Acts of 1855, being section 21 143 of the Michigan Compiled
10 Laws Earnings from the fund shall be credited to the fund

11 (2) The fund shall be expended only as provided in this
12 act

13 Sec 5 A public or private entity may apply to the juve-
14 nile gang board for funds to operate 1 or more programs that
15 address juvenile gang violence in this state The application
16 shall be on a form prescribed by the juvenile gang board

17 Sec 6 The juvenile gang board may direct the state trea-
18 surer in writing to disburse funds from the juvenile gang fund in
19 the form of grants or loans to entities that properly apply under
20 section 5 to receive those funds as is determined appropriate by
21 the juvenile gang board In determining whether to disburse
22 funds pursuant to this section the juvenile gang board shall
23 consider all of the following

24 (a) Whether the program will effectively address a cause of
25 juvenile gang violence

26 (b) Whether the entity that is applying for the funds can
27 effectively carry out the program

1 (c) Whether other programs exist or can be created that also
2 address or will more effectively address that cause of juvenile
3 gang violence

4 (d) The likelihood of success of the program

5 (e) Other criteria considered relevant by the juvenile gang
6 board