SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 4138

A bill to amend 1953 PA 232, entitled "Corrections code of 1953,"

by amending sections 11a, 20g, 33, 33e, and 35 (MCL 791.211a, 791.220g, 791.233, 791.233e, and 791.235), section 11a as amended by 1998 PA 204, section 20g as amended by 2000 PA 211, section 33 as amended by 1998 PA 320, section 33e as added by 1992 PA 181, and section 35 as amended by 2012 PA 24, and by adding section 1b.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 SEC. 1B. AS USED IN THIS ACT:
- 2 (A) "BOARD" OR "PAROLE BOARD" MEANS THE PAROLE BOARD
- 3 ESTABLISHED IN SECTION 31A.
- 4 (B) "DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS.
- 5 Sec. 11a. (1) The director of corrections—THE DEPARTMENT may
- 6 enter into contracts on behalf of this state as the director

- 1 considers appropriate to implement the participation of this state
- 2 in the interstate corrections compact pursuant to article III of
- 3 ENTERED INTO UNDER 1994 PA 92, MCL 3.981 TO 3.984, UNDER SECTION 3
- 4 OF the interstate corrections compact, 1994 PA 92, MCL 3.983. The
- 5 contracts may authorize confinement of prisoners in, or transfer of
- 6 prisoners from, correctional facilities under the jurisdiction of
- 7 the department of corrections. A contract shall not authorize the
- 8 confinement of a prisoner who is in the custody of the department
- 9 in an institution of a state other than a state that is a party to
- 10 the interstate corrections compact. When transferring prisoners to
- 11 institutions of other states under this section, the director shall
- 12 endeavor to ensure that the transfers do not disproportionately
- 13 affect groups of prisoners according to race, religion, color,
- 14 creed, or national origin.
- 15 (2) The director of corrections THE DEPARTMENT shall first
- 16 determine, on the basis of an inspection made by his or her
- 17 direction, that an institution of another state is a suitable place
- 18 for confinement of prisoners committed to his or her custody before
- 19 entering into a contract permitting that confinement, and shall, at
- 20 least annually, redetermine the suitability of that confinement. In
- 21 determining the suitability of an institution of another state, the
- 22 director shall determine that the institution maintains standards
- 23 of care and discipline not incompatible with those of this state
- 24 and that all inmates confined in that institution are treated
- 25 equitably, regardless of race, religion, color, creed, or national
- 26 origin.
- 27 (3) In considering transfers of prisoners out-of-state

- 1 pursuant to UNDER the interstate corrections compact due to ENTERED
- 2 INTO UNDER 1994 PA 92, MCL 3.981 TO 3.984, BECAUSE OF bed space
- 3 needs, the department shall do all of the following:
- 4 (a) Consider first prisoners who volunteer to transfer as long
- 5 as IF they meet the eligibility criteria for such THE transfer.
- 6 (b) Provide law library materials including Michigan Compiled
- 7 Laws, Michigan state and federal cases, and U.S. sixth circuit
- 8 court OF APPEALS cases.
- 9 (c) Not transfer a prisoner who has a significant medical or
- 10 mental health need.
- 11 (d) Use objective criteria in determining which prisoners to
- 12 transfer.
- 13 (4) Unless a prisoner consents in writing, a prisoner
- 14 transferred under the interstate corrections compact due to BECAUSE
- 15 OF bed space needs shall not be confined in another state for more
- 16 than 1 year.
- 17 (5) A prisoner who is transferred to an institution of another
- 18 state under this section shall receive all of the following while
- 19 in the receiving state:
- (a) Mail services and access to the court.
- 21 (b) Visiting and telephone privileges.
- (c) Occupational and vocational programs such as GED-ABE and
- 23 appropriate vocational programs for his or her level of custody.
- 24 (d) Programs such as substance abuse USE programs, sex
- 25 offender programs, and life skills development.
- 26 (E) HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION.
- (F) (e) Routine and emergency health care, dental care, and

- 1 mental health services.
- 2 (6) One year after April 13, 1994 and annually after that
- 3 date, BY APRIL 13 OF EACH YEAR, the department shall report all of
- 4 the following to the senate and house committees responsible for
- 5 legislation concerning corrections and to the appropriations
- 6 subcommittees on corrections:
- 7 (a) The number of prisoners transferred to or from
- 8 correctional facilities in this state pursuant to UNDER the
- 9 interstate corrections compact ENTERED INTO UNDER 1994 PA 92, MCL
- 10 3.981 TO 3.984.
- 11 (b) The cost to the state of the transfers described in
- 12 subdivision (a).
- 13 (c) The reasons for the transfers described in subdivision
- **14** (a).
- Sec. 20g. (1) The department may establish a youth
- 16 correctional facility which THAT shall house only prisoners
- 17 committed to the jurisdiction of the department who are 19 years of
- 18 age or less. If the department establishes or contracts with a
- 19 private vendor for the operation of a youth correctional facility,
- 20 following intake processing in a department operated facility, the
- 21 department shall house all male prisoners who are 16 years of age
- 22 or less at the youth correctional facility unless the department
- 23 determines that the prisoner should be housed at a different
- 24 facility for reasons of security, safety, or because of the
- 25 prisoner's specialized physical or mental health care needs.
- 26 (2) Except as provided in subsection (3), a prisoner who is 16
- 27 years of age or less and housed at a youth correctional facility

- 1 ESTABLISHED UNDER SUBSECTION (1) shall only be placed in a general
- 2 population housing unit with prisoners who are 16 years of age or
- 3 less.
- 4 (3) A prisoner who becomes 17 years of age while being housed
- 5 at a youth correctional facility ESTABLISHED UNDER SUBSECTION (1)
- 6 and who has a satisfactory prison record may remain in a general
- 7 population housing unit for no more than 1 year with prisoners who
- 8 are 16 years of age or less.
- 9 (4) Except as provided in subsection (3), a prisoner who is 16
- 10 years of age or less and housed at a youth correctional facility
- 11 ESTABLISHED UNDER SUBSECTION (1) shall not be allowed to be in the
- 12 proximity of a prisoner who is 17 years of age or more without the
- 13 presence and direct supervision of custody personnel in the
- 14 immediate vicinity.
- 15 (5) The department may establish and operate the youth
- 16 correctional facility UNDER SUBSECTION (1) or may contract on
- 17 behalf of the state with a private vendor for the construction or
- 18 operation, or both, of the youth correctional facility. If the
- 19 department contracts with a private vendor to construct,
- 20 rehabilitate, develop, renovate, or operate any existing or
- 21 anticipated facility pursuant to UNDER this section, the department
- 22 shall require a written certification from the private vendor
- 23 regarding all of the following:
- 24 (a) If practicable to efficiently and effectively complete the
- 25 project, the private vendor shall follow a competitive bid process
- 26 for the construction, rehabilitation, development, or renovation of
- 27 the facility, and this process shall be open to all Michigan

- 1 residents and firms. The private vendor shall not discriminate
- 2 against any contractor on the basis of its affiliation or
- 3 nonaffiliation with any collective bargaining organization.
- 4 (b) The private vendor shall make a good faith effort to
- 5 employ, if qualified, Michigan residents at the facility.
- **6** (c) The private vendor shall make a good faith effort to
- 7 employ or contract with Michigan residents and firms to construct,
- 8 rehabilitate, develop, or renovate the facility.
- 9 (6) If the department contracts with a private vendor for the
- 10 operation of the youth correctional facility UNDER SUBSECTION (5),
- 11 the department shall require by contract that the personnel
- 12 employed by the private vendor in the operation of the facility be
- 13 certified as correctional officers to the same extent as would be
- 14 required if those personnel were employed in a correctional
- 15 facility operated by the department. The department also shall ALSO
- 16 require by contract that the private vendor meet requirements
- 17 specified by the department regarding security, protection of the
- 18 public, inspections by the department, programming, liability and
- 19 insurance, conditions of confinement, educational services required
- 20 under subsection (11), and any other issues the department
- 21 considers necessary for the operation of the youth correctional
- 22 facility. The department shall also require that the contract
- 23 include provisions to protect the public's interest if the private
- 24 vendor defaults on the contract. Before finalizing a contract with
- 25 a private vendor for the construction or operation of the youth
- 26 correctional facility UNDER SUBSECTION (5), the department shall
- 27 submit the proposed contract to the standing committees of the

- 1 senate and the house of representatives having jurisdiction of
- 2 corrections issues, the corrections subcommittees of the standing
- 3 committees on appropriations of the senate and the house of
- 4 representatives, and, with regard to proposed construction
- 5 contracts, the joint committee on capital outlay. A contract
- 6 between the department and a private vendor for the construction or
- 7 operation of the youth correctional facility shall be IS contingent
- 8 upon appropriation of the required funding. If the department
- 9 contracts with a private vendor under this section, the selection
- 10 of that private vendor shall be by open, competitive bid.
- 11 (7) The department shall not site a youth correctional
- 12 facility under this section in a city, village, or township unless
- 13 the local legislative body of that city, village, or township
- 14 adopts a resolution approving the location.
- 15 (8) A private vendor operating a youth correctional facility
- 16 under a contract under this section shall not do any of the
- 17 following, unless directed to do so by the department policy:
- 18 (a) Calculate inmate release and parole eligibility dates.
- 19 (b) Award good time or disciplinary credits, or impose
- 20 disciplinary time.
- 21 (c) Approve inmates for extensions of limits of confinement.
- 22 (9) The youth correctional facility shall be open to visits
- 23 during all business hours, and during nonbusiness hours unless an
- 24 emergency prevents it, by any elected state senator or state
- 25 representative.
- 26 (10) Once each year, the department shall report on the
- 27 operation of the facility. Copies of THE DEPARTMENT SHALL SUBMIT

- 1 the report shall be submitted to the chairpersons of the house and
- 2 senate committees responsible for legislation on corrections or
- 3 judicial issues, and to the clerk of the house of representatives
- 4 and the secretary of the senate.
- 5 (11) Regardless of whether the department itself operates the
- 6 youth correctional facility ESTABLISHED UNDER SUBSECTION (1) or
- 7 contracts with a private vendor to operate the youth correctional
- 8 facility UNDER SUBSECTION (5), all of the following educational
- 9 services shall be provided for juvenile prisoners housed at the
- 10 facility who have not earned a high school diploma or received a
- 11 general education certificate (GED):
- 12 (a) The department or private vendor shall require that a
- 13 prisoner whose academic achievement level is not sufficient to
- 14 allow the prisoner to participate effectively in a program leading
- 15 to the attainment of a GED certificate participate in classes that
- 16 will prepare him or her to participate effectively in the GED
- 17 program, HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY CERTIFICATION, and shall provide
- 18 those classes in the facility.
- (b) The department or private vendor shall require that a
- 20 prisoner who successfully completes classes described in
- 21 subdivision (a), or whose academic achievement level is otherwise
- 22 sufficient, participate in classes leading to the attainment of a
- 23 GED certificate, HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY CERTIFICATION, and shall
- 24 provide those classes.
- 25 (12) Neither the department nor the private vendor shall seek
- 26 to have the youth correctional facility authorized as a public
- 27 school academy under the revised school code, 1976 PA 451, MCL

- **1** 380.1 to 380.1852.
- 2 (13) A private vendor that operates the youth correctional
- 3 facility under a contract with the department shall provide written
- 4 notice of its intention to discontinue its operation of the
- 5 facility. This subsection does not authorize or limit liability for
- 6 a breach or default of contract. If the reason for the
- 7 discontinuance is that the private vendor intends not to renew the
- 8 contract, the notice shall be delivered to the director of the
- 9 department at least 1 year before the contract expiration date. If
- 10 the discontinuance is for any other reason, the notice shall be
- 11 delivered to the director of the department at least 6 months
- 12 before the date on which THAT the private vendor will discontinue
- 13 its operation of the facility. This subsection does not authorize
- 14 or limit liability for a breach or default of contract.
- Sec. 33. (1) The grant of a parole is subject to all of the
- 16 following:
- 17 (a) A prisoner shall not be given liberty on parole until the
- 18 board has reasonable assurance, after consideration of all of the
- 19 facts and circumstances, including the prisoner's mental and social
- 20 attitude, that the prisoner will not become a menace to society or
- 21 to the public safety.
- 22 (b) Except as provided in section 34a, a parole shall not be
- 23 granted to a prisoner other than a prisoner subject to disciplinary
- 24 time until the prisoner has served the minimum term imposed by the
- 25 court less allowances for good time or special good time to which
- 26 the prisoner may be entitled by statute, except that a prisoner
- 27 other than a prisoner subject to disciplinary time is eligible for

- 1 parole before the expiration of his or her minimum term of
- 2 imprisonment whenever IF the sentencing judge, or the judge's
- 3 successor in office, gives written approval of the parole of the
- 4 prisoner before the expiration of the minimum term of imprisonment.
- 5 (c) Except as provided in section 34a, and notwithstanding the
- 6 provisions of subdivision (b), a parole shall not be granted to a
- 7 prisoner other than a prisoner subject to disciplinary time
- 8 sentenced for the commission of a crime described in section 33b(a)
- 9 to (cc) until the prisoner has served the minimum term imposed by
- 10 the court less an allowance for disciplinary credits as provided in
- 11 section 33(5) of 1893 PA 118, MCL 800.33. A prisoner described in
- 12 this subdivision is not eligible for special parole.
- 13 (d) Except as provided in section 34a, a parole shall not be
- 14 granted to a prisoner subject to disciplinary time until the
- 15 prisoner has served the minimum term imposed by the court.
- 16 (e) A prisoner shall not be released on parole until the
- 17 parole board has satisfactory evidence that arrangements have been
- 18 made for such honorable and useful employment as the prisoner is
- 19 capable of performing, for the prisoner's education, or for the
- 20 prisoner's care if the prisoner is mentally or physically ill or
- 21 incapacitated.
- (f) A prisoner whose minimum term of imprisonment is 2 years
- 23 or more shall not be released on parole unless he or she has either
- 24 earned a high school diploma or earned its equivalent in the form
- 25 of a general education development (GED) A HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY
- 26 certificate. The director of the department may waive the
- 27 restriction imposed by this subdivision as to any FOR A prisoner

- 1 who is over the age of 65 or who was gainfully employed immediately
- 2 before committing the crime for which he or she was incarcerated.
- 3 The department of corrections may also waive the restriction
- 4 imposed by this subdivision as to any FOR A prisoner who has a
- 5 learning disability, who does not have the necessary proficiency in
- 6 English, or who for some other reason that is not the fault of the
- 7 prisoner is unable to successfully complete the requirements for a
- 8 high school diploma or a general education development HIGH SCHOOL
- 9 EQUIVALENCY certificate. If the prisoner does not have the
- 10 necessary proficiency in English, the department of corrections
- 11 shall provide English language training for that prisoner necessary
- 12 for the prisoner to begin working toward the completion of the
- 13 requirements for a general education development HIGH SCHOOL
- 14 EQUIVALENCY certificate. This subdivision applies to prisoners
- 15 sentenced for crimes committed after December 15, 1998. In
- 16 providing an educational program leading to a high school degree or
- 17 general education development HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY certificate,
- 18 the department shall give priority to prisoners sentenced for
- 19 crimes committed on or before December 15, 1998.
- 20 (2) Paroles-in-custody to answer warrants filed by local or
- 21 out-of-state agencies, or immigration officials, are permissible if
- 22 an accredited agent of the agency filing the warrant calls for the
- 23 prisoner to be paroled in custody.
- 24 (3) Pursuant to UNDER the administrative procedures act of
- 25 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328, the parole board may
- 26 promulgate rules not inconsistent with this act with respect to
- 27 conditions to be imposed upon prisoners paroled under this act.

- 1 Sec. 33e. (1) The department shall develop parole guidelines
- 2 that are consistent with section 33(1)(a) and that shall TO govern
- 3 the exercise of the parole board's discretion pursuant to UNDER
- 4 sections 34 and 35 as to the release of prisoners on parole under
- 5 this act. The purpose of the parole guidelines shall be IS to
- 6 assist the parole board in making release decisions that enhance
- 7 the public safety.
- 8 (2) In developing the parole guidelines, the department shall
- 9 consider factors including, but not limited to, the following:
- 10 (a) The offense for which the prisoner is incarcerated at the
- 11 time of parole consideration.
- 12 (b) The prisoner's institutional program performance.
- 13 (c) The prisoner's institutional conduct.
- 14 (d) The prisoner's prior criminal record. As used in this
- 15 subdivision, "prior criminal record" means the recorded criminal
- 16 history of a prisoner, including all misdemeanor and felony
- 17 convictions, probation violations, juvenile adjudications for acts
- 18 that would have been crimes if committed by an adult, parole
- 19 failures, and delayed sentences.
- 20 (e) Other relevant factors as determined by the department, if
- 21 not otherwise prohibited by law.
- 22 (3) In developing the parole guidelines, the department may
- 23 consider both of the following factors:
- 24 (a) The prisoner's statistical risk screening.
- 25 (b) The prisoner's age.
- 26 (4) The department shall ensure that the parole guidelines do
- 27 not create disparities in release decisions based on race, color,

- 1 national origin, gender, religion, or disability.
- 2 (5) The department shall promulgate rules pursuant to UNDER
- 3 the administrative procedures act of 1969, Act No. 306 of the
- 4 Public Acts of 1969, being sections 24.201 to 24.328 of the
- 5 Michigan Compiled Laws, which shall 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 TO
- 6 24.328, THAT prescribe the parole guidelines. The department shall
- 7 submit the proposed rules to the joint committee on administrative
- 8 rules not later than April 1, 1994. Until the rules take effect,
- 9 the director shall require that the parole guidelines be considered
- 10 by the parole board in making release decisions. After the rules
- 11 take effect, the director shall require that the parole board
- 12 follow the parole guidelines.
- 13 (6) The parole board may depart from the parole guidelines by
- 14 denying parole to a prisoner who has a high probability of parole
- 15 as determined under the parole guidelines or by granting parole to
- 16 a prisoner who has a low probability of parole as determined under
- 17 the parole guidelines. A departure under this subsection shall be
- 18 for substantial and compelling reasons stated in writing. The
- 19 parole board shall not use a prisoner's gender, race, ethnicity,
- 20 alienage, national origin, or religion to depart from the
- 21 recommended parole quidelines.
- 22 (7) IN ORDER TO FACILITATE THE EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE
- 23 DEPARTMENT AND NOT TO CREATE A LIBERTY INTEREST IN OR EXPECTATION
- 24 OF PAROLE, IT IS PRESUMED THAT A PRISONER WHO SCORES HIGH
- 25 PROBABILITY OF PAROLE ON THE PAROLE GUIDELINES, EXCEPT FOR A
- 26 PRISONER SERVING A LIFE SENTENCE, IS NOT A MENACE TO SOCIETY OR THE
- 27 PUBLIC SAFETY AND SHALL BE RELEASED UPON SERVING THE MINIMUM

- 1 SENTENCE IMPOSED BY THE COURT. SUBSTANTIAL AND COMPELLING REASONS
- 2 FOR A DEPARTURE FROM THE PAROLE GUIDELINES FOR A PRISONER WITH A
- 3 HIGH PROBABILITY OF PAROLE ARE LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING
- 4 CIRCUMSTANCES:
- 5 (A) THE PRISONER HAS AN INSTITUTIONAL CONDUCT SCORE LOWER THAN
- 6 -1 ON THE PAROLE GUIDELINES.
- 7 (B) THERE IS OBJECTIVE AND VERIFIED EVIDENCE OF SUBSTANTIAL
- 8 HARM TO A VICTIM THAT COULD NOT HAVE BEEN AVAILABLE FOR
- 9 CONSIDERATION AT THE TIME OF SENTENCING, OR THE PRISONER HAS
- 10 THREATENED TO HARM ANOTHER PERSON IF RELEASED.
- 11 (C) THE PRISONER HAS A PENDING FELONY CHARGE OR DETAINER.
- 12 (D) THERE IS OBJECTIVE AND VERIFIED EVIDENCE OF POST-
- 13 SENTENCING CONDUCT, NOT ALREADY SCORED IN THE PAROLE GUIDELINES,
- 14 THAT DEMONSTRATES THAT THE PRISONER WOULD PRESENT A HIGH RISK TO
- 15 PUBLIC SAFETY IF PAROLED.
- 16 (E) THE PRISONER HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED IN THE FEDERAL COMBINED
- 17 DNA INDEX SYSTEM (CODIS) AND LINKED TO AN UNSOLVED CRIMINAL
- 18 VIOLATION. THE PAROLE BOARD MAY DENY A PRISONER'S RELEASE ON PAROLE
- 19 BEYOND THE SERVICE OF HIS OR HER MINIMUM SENTENCE FOR NOT MORE THAN
- 20 18 MONTHS FROM THE DATE THE PRISONER WAS IDENTIFIED THROUGH CODIS.
- 21 (F) THE RELEASE OF THE PRISONER IS OTHERWISE BARRED BY LAW.
- 22 (8) THE PAROLE BOARD MAY DEFER RELEASE UPON THE SERVICE OF THE
- 23 PRISONER'S MINIMUM SENTENCE UNDER SUBSECTION (7) FOR NOT MORE THAN
- 24 4 MONTHS TO ALLOW THE PRISONER TO COMPLETE A TREATMENT PROGRAM THAT
- 25 IS REASONABLY NECESSARY TO REDUCE THE RISK TO PUBLIC SAFETY FROM
- 26 THE PRISONER'S RELEASE.
- 27 (9) THE PAROLE BOARD SHALL CONDUCT A REVIEW OF A PRISONER,

- 1 EXCEPT FOR PRISONERS SERVING A LIFE SENTENCE, WHO HAS BEEN DENIED
- 2 RELEASE AS FOLLOWS:
- 3 (A) IF THE PRISONER SCORED HIGH OR AVERAGE PROBABILITY OF
- 4 RELEASE, CONDUCT A REVIEW NOT LESS THAN ANNUALLY.
- 5 (B) IF THE PRISONER SCORED LOW PROBABILITY OF RELEASE, CONDUCT
- 6 A REVIEW NOT LESS THAN EVERY 2 YEARS UNTIL A SCORE OF HIGH OR
- 7 AVERAGE PROBABILITY IS ATTAINED.
- 8 (10) (7) Not less than once every 2 years, the department
- 9 shall review the correlation between the implementation of the
- 10 parole guidelines and the recidivism rate of paroled prisoners, and
- 11 shall submit to the joint committee on administrative rules AND THE
- 12 CRIMINAL JUSTICE POLICY COMMISSION CREATED UNDER SECTION 32A OF
- 13 CHAPTER IX OF THE CODE OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE, 1927 PA 175, MCL
- 14 769.32A, any proposed revisions to the administrative rules that
- 15 the department considers appropriate after conducting the review.
- 16 (11) BY MARCH 1 OF EACH YEAR, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL REPORT TO
- 17 THE STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF
- 18 REPRESENTATIVES HAVING JURISDICTION OF CORRECTIONS ISSUES AND THE
- 19 CRIMINAL JUSTICE POLICY COMMISSION DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (10) ALL
- 20 OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:
- 21 (A) THE NUMBER OF PRISONERS SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (7) WHO WERE
- 22 GRANTED PAROLE DURING THE PRECEDING CALENDAR YEAR.
- 23 (B) THE NUMBER OF PRISONERS SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (7) FOR WHOM
- 24 PAROLE WAS DEFERRED TO COMPLETE NECESSARY PROGRAMMING DURING THE
- 25 PRECEDING CALENDAR YEAR.
- 26 (C) THE NUMBER OF PRISONERS SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (7) WHO WERE
- 27 INCARCERATED AT LEAST 4 MONTHS PAST THEIR FIRST PAROLE ELIGIBILITY

- 1 DATE AS OF DECEMBER 31 OF THE PRECEDING CALENDAR YEAR.
- 2 (D) THE NUMBER OF PRISONERS SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (7) WHO WERE
- 3 DENIED PAROLE FOR A REASON, OR REASONS, UNDER SUBSECTION (7)(A)
- 4 THROUGH (F), DURING THE PRECEDING CALENDAR YEAR. THIS INFORMATION
- 5 SHALL BE PROVIDED WITH A BREAKDOWN OF PAROLE DENIALS FOR EACH OF
- 6 THE FOLLOWING REASONS:
- 7 (i) THE PRISONER HAD AN INSTITUTIONAL CONDUCT SCORE LOWER THAN
- 8 -1 ON THE PAROLE GUIDELINES.
- 9 (ii) THERE WAS OBJECTIVE AND VERIFIED EVIDENCE OF SUBSTANTIAL
- 10 HARM TO A VICTIM THAT COULD NOT HAVE BEEN AVAILABLE FOR
- 11 CONSIDERATION AT THE TIME OF THE PRISONER'S SENTENCING.
- 12 (iii) THE PRISONER HAD A PENDING FELONY CHARGE OR DETAINER.
- 13 (iv) THERE WAS OBJECTIVE AND VERIFIED EVIDENCE OF POST-
- 14 SENTENCING CONDUCT, NOT SCORED IN THE PAROLE GUIDELINES, THAT
- 15 DEMONSTRATED THAT THE PRISONER WOULD PRESENT A HIGH RISK TO PUBLIC
- 16 SAFETY IF PAROLED.
- 17 (v) THE PRISONER WAS IDENTIFIED IN THE FEDERAL COMBINED DNA
- 18 INDEX SYSTEM (CODIS) AND LINKED TO AN UNSOLVED CRIMINAL VIOLATION
- 19 AND THE PAROLE BOARD DENIED HIS OR HER RELEASE ON PAROLE BEYOND THE
- 20 SERVICE OF HIS OR HER MINIMUM SENTENCE UNDER SUBSECTION (7)(E).
- 21 (vi) THE RELEASE OF THE PRISONER WAS OTHERWISE BARRED BY LAW.
- 22 (E) THE NUMBER OF PRISONERS SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (7) WHO WERE
- 23 DENIED PAROLE WHOSE CONTROLLING OFFENSE IS IN EACH OF THE FOLLOWING
- 24 GROUPS:
- 25 (i) HOMICIDE.
- (ii) SEXUAL OFFENSE.
- 27 (iii) AN ASSAULTIVE OFFENSE OTHER THAN A HOMICIDE OR SEXUAL

- 1 OFFENSE.
- 2 (iv) A NONASSAULTIVE OFFENSE.
- 3 (v) A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE OFFENSE.
- 4 (F) OF THE TOTAL NUMBER OF PRISONERS SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (7)
- 5 WHO WERE DENIED PAROLE, THE NUMBER WHO WERE SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION
- 6 (7) FOR THE FOLLOWING TIME PERIODS:
- 7 (i) LESS THAN ONE YEAR.
- 8 (ii) ONE YEAR OR MORE BUT LESS THAN 2 YEARS.
- 9 (iii) TWO YEARS OR MORE BUT LESS THAN 3 YEARS.
- 10 (iv) THREE YEARS OR MORE BUT LESS THAN 4 YEARS.
- 11 (v) FOUR OR MORE YEARS.
- 12 (G) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL IMMEDIATELY ADVISE THE STANDING
- 13 COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES HAVING
- 14 JURISDICTION OF CORRECTIONS ISSUES AND THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE POLICY
- 15 COMMISSION DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (10) OF ANY CHANGES MADE TO THE
- 16 SCORING OF THE PAROLE GUIDELINES AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE
- 17 AMENDATORY ACT THAT ADDED THIS SUBDIVISION, INCLUDING A CHANGE IN
- 18 THE NUMBER OF POINTS THAT DEFINE "HIGH PROBABILITY OF PAROLE".
- 19 (12) SUBSECTIONS (7) AND (8) AS AMENDED OR ADDED BY THE
- 20 AMENDATORY ACT THAT ADDED THIS SUBSECTION APPLY ONLY TO PRISONERS
- 21 WHOSE CONTROLLING OFFENSE WAS COMMITTED ON OR AFTER THE EFFECTIVE
- 22 DATE OF THE AMENDATORY ACT THAT ADDED THIS SUBSECTION. SUBSECTIONS
- 23 (7) AND (8) DO NOT APPLY TO A PRISONER SERVING A LIFE SENTENCE,
- 24 REGARDLESS OF THE DATE OF HIS OR HER CONTROLLING OFFENSE.
- 25 Sec. 35. (1) The release of a prisoner on parole shall be
- 26 granted solely upon the initiative of the parole board. THERE IS NO
- 27 ENTITLEMENT TO PAROLE. The parole board may grant a parole without

- 1 interviewing the prisoner . However, beginning January 26, 1996,
- 2 the parole board may grant a parole without interviewing the
- 3 prisoner only if, after evaluating the prisoner according to the
- 4 parole guidelines, the parole board determines that the prisoner
- 5 has a high probability of being paroled and the parole board
- 6 therefore intends to parole the prisoner. Except as provided in
- 7 subsection (2), a prisoner shall not be denied parole without an
- 8 interview before 1 member of the parole board. The interview shall
- 9 be conducted at least 1 month before the expiration of the
- 10 prisoner's minimum sentence less applicable good time and
- 11 disciplinary credits for a prisoner eligible for good time and
- 12 disciplinary credits, or at least 1 month before the expiration of
- 13 the prisoner's minimum sentence for a prisoner subject to
- 14 disciplinary time. The parole board shall consider any statement
- 15 made to the parole board by a crime victim under the William Van
- 16 Regenmorter crime victim's rights act, 1985 PA 87, MCL 780.751 to
- 17 780.834, or under any other provision of law. The parole board
- 18 shall not consider any of the following factors in making a parole
- 19 determination:
- 20 (a) A juvenile record that a court has ordered the department
- 21 to expunde.
- (b) Information that is determined by the parole board to be
- 23 inaccurate or irrelevant after a challenge and presentation of
- 24 relevant evidence by a prisoner who has received a notice of intent
- 25 to conduct an interview as provided in subsection (4). This
- 26 subdivision applies only to presentence investigation reports
- 27 prepared before April 1, 1983.

- 1 (2) Beginning January 26, 1996, if, IF, after evaluating a
- 2 prisoner according to the parole guidelines, the parole board
- 3 determines that the prisoner has a low probability of being paroled
- 4 and the parole board therefore does not intend to parole the
- 5 prisoner, the parole board is not required to interview the
- 6 prisoner before denying parole to the prisoner.
- 7 (3) The parole board may consider but shall not base a
- 8 determination to deny parole solely on either of the following:
- 9 (a) A prisoner's marital history.
- 10 (b) Prior arrests not resulting in conviction or adjudication
- 11 of delinquency.
- 12 (4) If an interview is to be conducted, the prisoner shall be
- 13 sent a notice of intent to conduct an interview at least 1 month
- 14 before the date of the interview. The notice shall state the
- 15 specific issues and concerns that shall be discussed at the
- 16 interview and that may be a basis for a denial of parole. A denial
- 17 of THE PAROLE BOARD SHALL NOT DENY parole shall not be based on
- 18 reasons other than those stated in the notice of intent to conduct
- 19 an interview except for good cause stated to the prisoner at or
- 20 before the interview and in the written explanation required by
- 21 subsection (12). This subsection does not apply until April 1,
- 22 1983.
- 23 (5) Except for good cause, the parole board member conducting
- 24 the interview shall not have cast a vote for or against the
- 25 prisoner's release before conducting the current interview. Before
- 26 the interview, the parole board member who is to conduct the
- 27 interview shall review pertinent information relative to the notice

- 1 of intent to conduct an interview.
- 2 (6) A prisoner may waive the right to an interview by 1 member
- 3 of the parole board. The waiver of the right to be interviewed
- 4 shall be IN WRITING AND given not more than 30 days after the
- 5 notice of intent to conduct an interview is issued. and shall be
- 6 made in writing. During the interview held pursuant to UNDER a
- 7 notice of intent to conduct an interview, the prisoner may be
- 8 represented by an individual of his or her choice. The
- 9 representative shall not be another prisoner or an attorney. A
- 10 prisoner is not entitled to appointed counsel at public expense.
- 11 The prisoner or representative may present relevant evidence in
- 12 support of release.
- 13 (7) At least 90 days before the expiration of the prisoner's
- 14 minimum sentence less applicable good time and disciplinary credits
- 15 for a prisoner eligible for good time or disciplinary credits, or
- 16 at least 90 days before the expiration of the prisoner's minimum
- 17 sentence for a prisoner subject to disciplinary time, or the
- 18 expiration of a 12-month continuance for any prisoner, THE
- 19 APPROPRIATE INSTITUTIONAL STAFF SHALL PREPARE a parole eligibility
- 20 report. shall be prepared by appropriate institutional staff. The
- 21 parole eligibility report shall be IS considered pertinent
- 22 information for purposes of subsection (5). The report shall MUST
- 23 include all of the following:
- 24 (a) A statement of all major misconduct charges of which the
- 25 prisoner was found guilty and the punishment served for the
- 26 misconduct.
- (b) The prisoner's work and educational record while confined.

- 1 (c) The results of any physical, mental, or psychiatric
- 2 examinations of the prisoner that may have been performed.
- 3 (d) Whether the prisoner fully cooperated with the THIS state
- 4 by providing complete financial information as required under
- 5 section 3a of the state correctional facility reimbursement act,
- 6 1935 PA 253, MCL 800.403a.
- 7 (e) Whether the prisoner refused to attempt to obtain
- 8 identification documents under section 34c, if applicable.
- 9 (f) For a prisoner subject to disciplinary time, a statement
- 10 of all disciplinary time submitted for the parole board's
- 11 consideration under section 34 of 1893 PA 118, MCL 800.34.
- 12 (G) THE RESULT ON ANY VALIDATED RISK ASSESSMENT INSTRUMENT.
- 13 (8) The preparer of the report shall not include a
- 14 recommendation as to release on parole.
- 15 (9) Psychological evaluations performed at the request of the
- 16 parole board to assist it in reaching a decision on the release of
- 17 a prisoner may be performed by the same person who provided the
- 18 prisoner with therapeutic treatment, unless a different person is
- 19 requested by the prisoner or parole board.
- 20 (10) The parole board may grant a medical parole for a
- 21 prisoner determined to be physically or mentally incapacitated. A
- 22 decision to grant a medical parole shall be initiated upon—ON the
- 23 recommendation of the bureau of health care services and shall be
- 24 reached only after a review of the medical, institutional, and
- 25 criminal records of the prisoner.
- 26 (11) The department shall submit-FILE a petition to the
- 27 appropriate court under section 434 of the mental health code, 1974

- 1 PA 258, MCL 330.1434, for any prisoner being paroled or being
- 2 released after serving his or her maximum sentence whom the
- 3 department considers to be a person requiring treatment. The parole
- 4 board shall require mental health treatment as a special condition
- 5 of parole for any parolee whom the department has determined to be
- 6 a person requiring treatment whether or not the petition filed for
- 7 that prisoner is granted by the court. As used in this subsection,
- 8 "person requiring treatment" means that term as defined in section
- 9 401 of the mental health code, 1974 PA 258, MCL 330.1401.
- 10 (12) When the parole board makes a final determination not to
- 11 release a prisoner, THE PAROLE BOARD SHALL PROVIDE the prisoner
- 12 shall be provided with a written explanation of the reason for
- 13 denial and, if appropriate, specific recommendations for corrective
- 14 action the prisoner may take to facilitate release.
- 15 (13) This section does not apply to the placement on parole of
- 16 a person in conjunction with special alternative incarceration
- **17** under section 34a(7).
- 18 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
- 19 after the date it is enacted into law.