

Act No. 162  
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**STATE OF MICHIGAN  
98TH LEGISLATURE  
REGULAR SESSION OF 2015**

**Introduced by Reps. Jenkins, Forlini, Irwin, Victory, Poleski, Lucido, Howrylak, Derek Miller, Liberati, Lane, LaVoy, Geiss, Hooker and Courser**

# **ENROLLED HOUSE BILL No. 4544**

AN ACT to amend 1939 PA 280, entitled “An act to protect the welfare of the people of this state; to provide general assistance, hospitalization, infirmary and medical care to poor or unfortunate persons; to provide for compliance by this state with the social security act; to provide protection, welfare and services to aged persons, dependent children, the blind, and the permanently and totally disabled; to administer programs and services for the prevention and treatment of delinquency, dependency and neglect of children; to create a state department of social services; to prescribe the powers and duties of the department; to provide for the interstate and intercounty transfer of dependents; to create county and district departments of social services; to create within certain county departments, bureaus of social aid and certain divisions and offices thereunder; to prescribe the powers and duties of the departments, bureaus and officers; to provide for appeals in certain cases; to prescribe the powers and duties of the state department with respect to county and district departments; to prescribe certain duties of certain other state departments, officers, and agencies; to make an appropriation; to prescribe penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act; and to repeal certain parts of this act on specific dates,” (MCL 400.1 to 400.119b) by adding section 10g.

*The People of the State of Michigan enact:*

Sec. 10g. (1) For any assistance program for which financial eligibility is determined under this act, the department shall disregard in its financial eligibility determination money associated with a designated beneficiary’s ABLE savings account, including, but not limited to, all of the following:

- (a) Money in a designated beneficiary’s ABLE savings account.
- (b) Earnings on money in a designated beneficiary’s ABLE savings account.
- (c) Contributions to a designated beneficiary’s own ABLE savings account.
- (d) Distributions from an ABLE savings account for the designated beneficiary’s qualified disability expenses.

(2) As used in this section, “ABLE savings account”, “designated beneficiary”, and “qualified disability expenses” mean those terms as defined in section 2 of the Michigan achieving a better life experience (ABLE) program act.

Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days after the date it is enacted into law.

Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect unless all of the following bills of the 98th Legislature are enacted into law:

- (a) Senate Bill No. 360.
- (b) House Bill No. 4542.
- (c) House Bill No. 4543.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.



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Clerk of the House of Representatives



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Secretary of the Senate

Approved .....

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Governor