

**SUBSTITUTE FOR  
SENATE BILL NO. 419**

A bill to amend 1988 PA 13, entitled  
"Juvenile diversion act,"  
by amending sections 2, 3, 6, and 9 (MCL 722.822, 722.823, 722.826,  
and 722.829), section 2 as amended by 2019 PA 101 and section 6 as  
amended by 1996 PA 137.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1       Sec. 2. As used in this act:

2       ~~(a) "Assaultive crime" means an offense that, if committed by~~  
3 ~~an adult, would constitute an offense against a person described in~~  
4 ~~section 82, 83, 84, 86, 87, 88, 89, 316, 317, 321, 349, 349a, 350,~~  
5 ~~397, 520b, 520c, 520d, 520e, 520g, 529, 529a, or 530 of the~~  
6 ~~Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.82, 750.83, 750.84,~~  
7 ~~750.86, 750.87, 750.88, 750.89, 750.316, 750.317, 750.321, 750.349,~~



1 ~~750.349a, 750.350, 750.397, 750.520b, 750.520c, 750.520d, 750.520e,~~  
 2 ~~750.520g, 750.529, 750.529a, and 750.530.~~

3 (a) ~~(b)~~—"Court" means the family division of circuit court.

4 (b) ~~(c)~~—"Divert" or "diversion" means the placement that  
 5 occurs when a ~~formally recorded apprehension is made by a law~~  
 6 enforcement agency **makes a formally recorded investigation or**  
 7 **apprehension** for an act by a minor that if a petition were filed  
 8 with the court would bring that minor within section 2(a) of  
 9 chapter XIIA of the probate code of 1939, 1939 PA 288, MCL 712A.2,  
 10 and instead of petitioning the court or authorizing a petition,  
 11 either of the following occurs:

12 (i) The minor is released into the custody of ~~his or her~~ **the**  
 13 **minor's** parent, guardian, or custodian and the investigation is  
 14 discontinued.

15 (ii) The minor and the minor's parent, guardian, or custodian  
 16 agree to work with a person or public or private organization or  
 17 agency that will assist the minor and the minor's family in  
 18 resolving the problem that initiated the investigation.

19 (c) ~~(d)~~—"Law enforcement agency" means a police department of  
 20 a city, village, or township, a sheriff's department, the  
 21 department of state police, or any other governmental law  
 22 enforcement agency in this state.

23 (d) ~~(e)~~—"Minor" means an individual **who is** less than 18 years  
 24 of age.

25 (e) **"Specified juvenile violation" means that term as defined**  
 26 **in section 2 of chapter XIIA of the probate code of 1939, 1939 PA**  
 27 **288, MCL 712A.2.**

28 Sec. 3. (1) If in the course of investigating an alleged  
 29 offense by a minor a petition has not been filed with the court, or



1 if a petition has not been authorized, a law enforcement official  
2 or court intake worker may do 1 of the following:

3 (a) Release the minor into the custody of ~~his or her~~ **the**  
4 **minor's** parent, guardian, or custodian and discontinue the  
5 investigation.

6 (b) ~~Divert~~ **Subject to subsections (4) and (5), divert** the  
7 matter by making an agreement ~~pursuant to~~ **under** section 5 with the  
8 minor and the minor's parent, guardian, or custodian to refer the  
9 minor to a person or public or private organization or agency that  
10 will assist the minor and the minor's family in resolving the  
11 problem that initiated the investigation. **Restitution must not be**  
12 **considered when deciding if the minor may be diverted under this**  
13 **subdivision.**

14 (c) File a petition with the court or authorize a petition  
15 that has been filed.

16 (2) A minor may be diverted only as provided in subsection  
17 (1) (a) or (b) and subsection (3).

18 (3) A minor accused or charged with ~~an assaultive offense~~  
19 ~~shall~~ **a specified juvenile violation must** not be diverted.

20 (4) **Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, before a**  
21 **diversion decision is made for a minor, a risk screening tool and a**  
22 **mental health screening tool may be conducted on the minor. A risk**  
23 **screening tool and a mental health screening tool may not be**  
24 **conducted on a minor who meets any of the following criteria:**

25 (a) **Is accused or charged with a specified juvenile violation.**

26 (b) **Is currently under supervision in the juvenile justice**  
27 **system by the court or the department of health and human services.**

28 (5) **A minor must not be diverted under subsection (1) (b)**  
29 **unless both of the following requirements are met:**



1 (a) The law enforcement official or court intake worker  
 2 receives the results of a risk screening tool and a mental health  
 3 screening tool for the minor conducted by a designated individual  
 4 or agency that is trained in those screening tools.

5 (b) The law enforcement official or court intake worker uses  
 6 the results of the risk screening tool and the mental health  
 7 screening tool, and the best interests of public safety and the  
 8 minor, to inform the decision to divert the minor.

9 (6) A risk screening tool and a mental health screening tool  
 10 described in subsections (4) and (5) must meet both of the  
 11 following requirements:

12 (a) Be research based and nationally validated for use with  
 13 minors.

14 (b) Comply with the guidelines created under subsection (7).

15 (7) The state court administrative office, under the  
 16 supervision and direction of the supreme court, shall create  
 17 guidelines on the use of risk screening tools and mental health  
 18 screening tools described in subsections (4) and (5).

19 Sec. 6. (1) When a decision is made to divert a minor, the law  
 20 enforcement official or court intake worker shall file with the  
 21 court in the county in which the minor resides or is found all of  
 22 the following information:

23 (a) The minor's name, address, and date of birth.

24 (b) The act or offense for which the minor was apprehended.

25 (c) The date and place of the act or offense for which the  
 26 minor was apprehended.

27 (d) The diversion decision made, whether referred or released.

28 (e) The nature of the minor's compliance with the diversion  
 29 agreement.



1 (f) If the diversion is under section 3(1)(b), the results of  
2 the minor's risk screening tool and mental health screening tool.

3 (2) If a diversion agreement is revoked ~~pursuant to~~ **under**  
4 section 5(5), the law enforcement official or court intake worker  
5 shall file **the fact of and reasons for the revocation** with the  
6 court in which the information described in subsection (1) is  
7 filed. ~~the fact of and reasons for the revocation.~~

8 Sec. 9. (1) A record kept under this act ~~shall~~ **must** not be  
9 used by any person, including a court official or law enforcement  
10 official, for any purpose except in making a decision on whether to  
11 divert a minor.

12 (2) A person ~~who~~ **that** violates ~~this section~~ **subsection (1)** is  
13 guilty of a misdemeanor ~~—~~ punishable by imprisonment for not more  
14 than 180 days, ~~or~~ a fine of not more than \$1,000.00, or both.

15 (3) **A risk screening tool and a mental health screening tool**  
16 **conducted as part of a proceeding under this act and any**  
17 **information obtained from a minor in the course of those screenings**  
18 **or provided by the minor in order to participate in a diversion**  
19 **program, including, but not limited to, any admission, confession,**  
20 **or incriminating evidence, are not admissible into evidence in any**  
21 **adjudicatory hearing in which the minor is accused and are not**  
22 **subject to subpoena or any other court process for use in any other**  
23 **proceeding or for any other purpose.**

24 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect October  
25 1, 2024.

26 Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect  
27 unless Senate Bill No. 418 of the 102nd Legislature is enacted into  
28 law.

