

HOUSE BILL NO. 4739

June 13, 2023, Introduced by Reps. Mentzer, Breen, Hope, Tyrone Carter, Scott, Byrnes, Pohutsky, McFall, Paiz, Liberati, Farhat, Conlin, Shannon, Arbit, Rogers, Morse, Hoskins, Andrews, Hill, Coffia and Young and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend 1985 PA 87, entitled
"William Van Regenmorter crime victim's rights act,"
(MCL 780.751 to 780.834) by adding section 8a.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 **Sec. 8a. (1) Except as otherwise provided under this section,**
2 **the prosecuting attorney shall keep the personal information of a**
3 **victim confidential unless the personal information is a part of**
4 **the res gestae of the charged crime.**

5 **(2) The prosecuting attorney shall redact the personal**
6 **information of a victim required to be kept confidential under**

1 subsection (1) from both of the following:

2 (a) A document provided to the defendant's counsel or the
3 defendant.

4 (b) A document that the prosecuting attorney submits as an
5 ordinary court document or that will be entered into the court
6 file.

7 (3) This section does not alleviate the obligation otherwise
8 required under law to make a victim available for interview by the
9 other party.

10 (4) On motion by the defendant, and subject to subsection (7),
11 the court may order the prosecuting attorney to provide personal
12 information of a victim to the defendant's counsel or the
13 defendant.

14 (5) A motion under subsection (4) must meet the following
15 requirements:

16 (a) Demonstrate that the personal information requested is
17 reasonably necessary to provide an adequate defense.

18 (b) Explain the limited purpose for which the personal
19 information is sought.

20 (6) If the court grants a motion under subsection (4), the
21 order must do all of the following:

22 (a) Limit the disclosure of the personal information to the
23 extent the disclosure is reasonably necessary to provide an
24 adequate defense.

25 (b) Specify the limited purpose for which the personal
26 information may be used.

27 (c) Except as provided in subdivision (d), require the
28 personal information to remain in the exclusive custody of the
29 defendant's counsel or the defendant if the defendant is not

1 represented by counsel.

2 (d) Include conditions and terms for the defendant's counsel
3 or, if the defendant is not represented by counsel, the defendant,
4 to provide the personal information to the counsel's or the
5 defendant's agent, employee, or expert witness if it is necessary
6 for a limited purpose that is approved by the court.

7 (e) Prohibit the reproduction, copying, or dissemination of
8 the personal information unless authorized in the order.

9 (7) This section does not authorize the disclosure of the
10 confidential address of a program participant.

11 (8) This section does not preclude the release of information
12 to a victim advocacy organization or agency for the purpose of
13 providing victim services.

14 (9) A person who is required to keep confidential or redact
15 personal information under this section and who intentionally and
16 willfully discloses that personal information in violation of this
17 section is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for
18 not more than 93 days or a fine of not more than \$500.00, or both.

19 (10) As used in this section:

20 (a) "Confidential address" means that term as defined in
21 section 3 of the address confidentiality program act, 2020 PA 301,
22 MCL 780.853.

23 (b) "Internet identifier" means a designation used for self-
24 identification or routing used in posting on the internet or in
25 other internet communications.

26 (c) "Personal information" means the following information of
27 an individual but does not include the location of a charged crime:

28 (i) Home address.

29 (ii) Telephone number and cellular telephone number.

- 1 (iii) Driver license number or official state personal
2 identification card number.
- 3 (iv) Social Security number.
- 4 (v) Date of birth.
- 5 (vi) Place and address of employment.
- 6 (vii) Employee identification number.
- 7 (viii) Mother's maiden name.
- 8 (ix) Demand deposit account, savings account, or checking
9 account number, or other financial identification information.
- 10 (x) Credit card number.
- 11 (xi) Email address.
- 12 (xii) Internet identifier.
- 13 (xiii) Home address, telephone number, and cellular telephone
14 number of a family member.
- 15 (d) "Program participant" means that term as defined in
16 section 3 of the address confidentiality program act, 2020 PA 301,
17 MCL 780.853.