## **HOUSE BILL No. 6213**

September 22, 2004, Introduced by Reps. Condino, Bieda, Lipsey and Howell and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend 2001 PA 195, entitled "Uniform child-custody jurisdiction and enforcement act," by amending the title and sections 102 and 405 (MCL 722.1102 and 722.1405).

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An act to adopt the uniform child-custody jurisdiction and enforcement act prescribing the powers and duties of the court in a child-custody or parenting time proceeding involving this state and a proceeding or party outside of this state; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

Sec. 102. As used in this act:

- (a) "Abandoned" means left without provision for reasonable and necessary care or supervision.
  - (b) "Child" means an individual who is younger than 18 years

- 1 of age.
- 2 (c) "Child-custody determination" means a judgment, decree,
- 3 or other court order providing for legal custody, physical
- 4 custody, or parenting time with respect to a child, including, in
- 5 the context of Michigan law, parenting time with respect to the
- 6 allocation or sharing of responsibilities of parenting of a child
- 7 between parents, or between a parent and a third party, as sought
- 8 or ordered under the child parenting time act, 1970 PA 91, MCL
- 9 722.21 to 722.31. Child-custody determination includes a
- 10 permanent, temporary, initial, and modification order.
- 11 Child-custody determination does not include an order relating to
- 12 child support or other monetary obligation of an individual.
- (d) "Child-custody proceeding" means a proceeding in which
- 14 legal custody, physical custody, or parenting time with respect
- 15 to a child is an issue, including, in the context of Michigan
- 16 law, parenting time with respect to the allocation or sharing of
- 17 responsibilities of parenting of a child between parents, or
- 18 between a parent and a third party, as sought or ordered under
- 19 the child parenting time act, 1970 PA 91, MCL 722.21 to 722.31.
- 20 Child-custody proceeding includes a proceeding for divorce,
- 21 separate maintenance, separation, neglect, abuse, dependency,
- 22 guardianship, paternity, termination of parental rights, and
- 23 protection from domestic violence, in which the issue may
- 24 appear. Child-custody proceeding does not include a proceeding
- 25 involving juvenile delinquency, contractual emancipation, or
- 26 enforcement under article 3.
- (e) "Commencement" means the filing of the first pleading in

- 1 a proceeding.
- 2 (f) "Court" means an entity authorized under the law of a
- 3 state to establish, enforce, or modify a child-custody
- 4 determination.
- 5 (g) "Home state" means the state in which a child lived with
- **6** a parent or a person acting as a parent for at least 6
- 7 consecutive months immediately before the commencement of a
- 8 child-custody proceeding. In the case of a child less than 6
- 9 months of age, the term means the state in which the child lived
- 10 from birth with a parent or person acting as a parent. A period
- 11 of temporary absence of a parent or person acting as a parent is
- 12 included as part of the period.
- (h) "Initial determination" means the first child-custody
- 14 determination concerning a particular child.
- (i) "Issuing court" means the court that makes a
- 16 child-custody determination for which enforcement is sought under
- 17 this act.
- 18 (j) "Issuing state" means the state in which a child-custody
- 19 determination is made.
- 20 (k) "Modification" means a child-custody determination that
- 21 changes, replaces, supersedes, or is otherwise made after a
- 22 previous child-custody determination concerning the same child,
- 23 whether or not it is made by the court that made the previous
- 24 child-custody determination.
- 25 (1) "Person" means an individual, corporation, business
- 26 trust, estate, trust, partnership, limited liability company,
- 27 association, joint venture, or government; governmental

- 1 subdivision, agency, or instrumentality; public corporation; or
- 2 any other legal or commercial entity.
- 3 (m) "Person acting as a parent" means a person, other than a
- 4 parent, who meets both of the following criteria:
- 5 (i) Has physical custody of the child or has had physical
- 6 custody for a period of 6 consecutive months, including a
- 7 temporary absence, within 1 year immediately before the
- 8 commencement of a child-custody proceeding.
- $\mathbf{9}$  (ii) Has been awarded legal custody by a court or claims a
- 10 right to legal custody under the law of this state.
- 11 (n) "Physical custody" means the physical care and
- 12 supervision of a child.
- 13 (o) "Register" means to comply with the procedures of section
- 14 304 to make a child-custody determination enforceable in this
- 15 state.
- 16 (p) "State" means a state of the United States, the District
- 17 of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands, or a
- 18 territory or insular possession subject to the jurisdiction of
- 19 the United States.
- 20 (q) "Tribe" means an Indian tribe or band, or Alaskan native
- 21 village, that is recognized by federal law or formally
- 22 acknowledged by a state.
- (r) "Warrant" means a court order authorizing a law
- 24 enforcement officer to take physical custody of a child.
- 25 Sec. 405. A motion or other request for relief made in a
- 26 child-custody or enforcement proceeding that was commenced before
- 27 the effective date of this act April 1, 2002 is governed by the

- 1 law in effect at the time the motion or other request was made.
- 2 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take
- 3 effect unless House Bill No. 5949 of the 92nd Legislature is
- 4 enacted into law.

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