HOUSE BILL No. 6012

June 9, 2004, Introduced by Rep. Howell and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled

"Revised judicature act of 1961,"
by amending sections 705, 1021, 2950, 2950h, 2950j, 4319, 5071,
5077, 5078, and 5080 (MCL 600.705, 600.1021, 600.2950, 600.2950h,
600.2950j, 600.4319, 600.5071, 600.5077, 600.5078, and 600.5080),
section 1021 as amended by 2002 PA 682, section 2950 as amended
by 2001 PA 200, sections 2950h and 2950j as added by 2001 PA 206,

section 5071 as added by 2000 PA 419, and sections 5077, 5078, and 5080 as added by 2000 PA 420.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Sec. 705. The existence of any of the following
- 2 relationships between an individual or his or her agent and the
- 3 state -shall constitute is a sufficient basis of jurisdiction to
- lenable a court of record of this state to exercise limited
- 5 personal jurisdiction over the individual and to enable the court

- 1 to render personal judgments against the individual or his or her
- 2 representative arising out of an act which creates any of the
- 3 following relationships:
- 4 (a) -(1) The transaction of any business within the state.
- 5 (b) $\frac{(2)}{(2)}$ The doing or causing an act to be done, or
- 6 consequences to occur, in the state resulting in an action for
- 7 tort.
- 8 (c) $\frac{(3)}{(3)}$ The ownership, use, or possession of real or
- 9 tangible personal property situated within the state.
- (d) -(4) Contracting to insure a person, property, or risk
- 11 located within this state at the time of contracting.
- (e) $\frac{(5)}{(5)}$ Entering into a contract for services to be
- 13 rendered or for materials to be furnished in the state by the
- 14 defendant.
- 15 (f) —(6)—Acting as a director, manager, trustee, or other
- 16 officer of a corporation incorporated under the laws of, or
- 17 having its principal place of business within this state.
- 18 (g) -(7) Maintaining a domicile in this state while subject
- 19 to a marital or family relationship which is the basis of the
- 20 claim for divorce, alimony, separate maintenance, property
- 21 settlement, child support, or parenting
- 22 time.
- 23 Sec. 1021. (1) Except as otherwise provided by law, the
- 24 family division of circuit court has sole and exclusive
- 25 jurisdiction over the following cases commenced on or after
- **26** January 1, 1998:
- 27 (a) Cases of divorce and ancillary matters as set forth in

- 1 the following statutes:
- 2 (i) 1846 RS 84, MCL 552.1 to 552.45.
- 3 (ii) 1909 PA 259, MCL 552.101 to 552.104.
- 4 (iii) 1911 PA 52, MCL 552.121 to 552.123.
- 5 (iv) 1913 PA 379, MCL 552.151 to 552.156.
- (v) The friend of the court act, 1982 PA 294, MCL 552.501 to
- **7** 552.535.
- 8 (vi) 1905 PA 299, MCL 552.391.
- 9 (vii) 1949 PA 42, MCL 552.401 to 552.402.
- 10 (viii) The family support act, 1966 PA 138, MCL 552.451 to
- **11** 552.459.
- 12 (ix) The support and parenting time enforcement act, 1982
- 13 PA 295, MCL 552.601 to 552.650.
- 14 (x) The interstate income withholding act, 1985 PA 216,
- **15** MCL 552.671 to 552.685.
- 16 (b) Cases of adoption as provided in chapter X of the probate
- 17 code of 1939, 1939 PA 288, MCL 710.21 to 710.70.
- 18 (c) Cases involving certain children incapable of adoption
- 19 under 1925 PA 271, MCL 722.531 to 722.534.
- 20 (d) Cases involving a change of name as provided in chapter
- 21 XI of the probate code of 1939, 1939 PA 288, MCL 711.1 to 711.3.
- 22 (e) Cases involving juveniles as provided in chapter XIIA of
- 23 the probate code of 1939, 1939 PA 288, MCL 712A.1 to 712A.32.
- 24 (f) Cases involving the status of minors and the emancipation
- 25 of minors under 1968 PA 293, MCL 722.1 to 722.6.
- 26 (q) Cases of -child custody parenting time under the child
- 27 custody act of 1970 parenting time act, 1970 PA 91, MCL 722.21

- 1 to 722.31, and child custody jurisdiction as provided in the
- 2 uniform child-custody jurisdiction and enforcement act, 2001
- 3 PA 195, MCL 722.1101 to 722.1406.
- 4 (h) Cases involving paternity and child support under the
- 5 paternity act, 1956 PA 205, MCL 722.711 to 722.730.
- **6** (i) Cases involving parental consent for abortions performed
- 7 on unemancipated minors under the parental rights restoration
- 8 act, 1990 PA 211, MCL 722.901 to 722.908.
- 9 (j) Cases involving child support under the revised uniform
- 10 reciprocal enforcement of support act, 1952 PA 8, MCL 780.151 to
- **11** 780.183.
- 12 (k) Cases involving personal protection orders and foreign
- 13 protection orders under sections 2950 to 2950m.
- 14 (2) The family division of circuit court has ancillary
- 15 jurisdiction over the following cases commenced on or after
- **16** January 1, 1998:
- 17 (a) Cases involving guardians and conservators as provided in
- 18 article 5 of the estates and protected individuals code, 1998
- **19** PA 386, MCL 700.5101 to 700.5520.
- 20 (b) Cases involving treatment of, or guardianship of,
- 21 mentally ill or developmentally disabled persons under the mental
- 22 health code, 1974 PA 258, MCL 330.1001 to 330.2106.
- 23 (3) A probate judge identified in section 1011 as serving
- 24 pursuant to as provided under the family court plan has the
- 25 same power and authority, within the county or probate court
- 26 district in which he or she serves as probate judge, as that of a
- 27 circuit judge over cases described in subsection (1), in addition

- 1 to all the power and authority of a judge of the probate court.
- 2 Sec. 2950. (1) Except as provided in subsections (27) and
- 3 (28), by commencing an independent action to obtain relief under
- 4 this section, by joining a claim to an action, or by filing a
- 5 motion in an action in which the petitioner and the individual to
- 6 be restrained or enjoined are parties, an individual may petition
- 7 the family division of circuit court to enter a personal
- 8 protection order to restrain or enjoin a spouse, a former spouse,
- 9 an individual with whom he or she has had a child in common, an
- 10 individual with whom he or she has or has had a dating
- 11 relationship, or an individual residing or having resided in the
- 12 same household as the petitioner from doing 1 or more of the
- 13 following:
- 14 (a) Entering onto premises.
- 15 (b) Assaulting, attacking, beating, molesting, or wounding a
- 16 named individual.
- 17 (c) Threatening to kill or physically injure a named
- 18 individual.
- 19 (d) Removing minor children from the an individual having
- 20 legal custody of parenting time with the children, except as
- 21 otherwise authorized by a -custody or parenting time order
- 22 issued by a court of competent jurisdiction.
- 23 (e) Purchasing or possessing a firearm.
- (f) Interfering with petitioner's efforts to remove
- 25 petitioner's children or personal property from premises that are
- 26 solely owned or leased by the individual to be restrained or
- 27 enjoined.

- 1 (g) Interfering with petitioner at petitioner's place of
- 2 employment or education or engaging in conduct that impairs
- 3 petitioner's employment or educational relationship or
- 4 environment.
- 5 (h) Having access to information in records concerning a
- 6 minor child of both petitioner and respondent that will inform
- 7 respondent about the address or telephone number of petitioner
- 8 and petitioner's minor child or about petitioner's employment
- 9 address.
- 10 (i) Engaging in conduct that is prohibited under section 411h
- 11 or 411i of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.411h and
- **12** 750.411i.
- 13 (j) Any other specific act or conduct that imposes upon or
- 14 interferes with personal liberty or that causes a reasonable
- 15 apprehension of violence.
- 16 (2) If the respondent is a person who is issued a license to
- 17 carry a concealed weapon and is required to carry a weapon as a
- 18 condition of his or her employment, a police officer certified by
- 19 the commission on law enforcement standards act, 1965 PA 203,
- 20 MCL 28.601 to 28.616, a sheriff, a deputy sheriff or a member of
- 21 the Michigan department of state police, a local corrections
- 22 officer, department of corrections employee, or a federal law
- 23 enforcement officer who carries a firearm during the normal
- 24 course of his or her employment, the petitioner shall notify the
- 25 court of the respondent's occupation prior to the issuance of the
- 26 personal protection order. This subsection does not apply to a
- 27 petitioner who does not know the respondent's occupation.

- 1 (3) A petitioner may omit his or her address of residence
- 2 from documents filed with the court under this section. If a
- 3 petitioner omits his or her address of residence, the petitioner
- 4 shall provide the court with a mailing address.
- 5 (4) The court shall issue a personal protection order under
- 6 this section if the court determines that there is reasonable
- 7 cause to believe that the individual to be restrained or enjoined
- 8 may commit 1 or more of the acts listed in subsection (1). In
- 9 determining whether reasonable cause exists, the court shall
- 10 consider all of the following:
- 11 (a) Testimony, documents, or other evidence offered in
- 12 support of the request for a personal protection order.
- 13 (b) Whether the individual to be restrained or enjoined has
- 14 previously committed or threatened to commit 1 or more of the
- 15 acts listed in subsection (1).
- 16 (5) A court shall not issue a personal protection order that
- 17 restrains or enjoins conduct described in subsection (1)(a) if
- 18 all of the following apply:
- 19 (a) The individual to be restrained or enjoined is not the
- 20 spouse of the moving party.
- 21 (b) The individual to be restrained or enjoined or the
- 22 parent, guardian, or custodian of the minor to be restrained or
- 23 enjoined has a property interest in the premises.
- 24 (c) The moving party or the parent, guardian, or custodian of
- 25 a minor petitioner has no property interest in the premises.
- 26 (6) A court shall not refuse to issue a personal protection
- 27 order solely due to the absence of any of the following:

- 1 (a) A police report.
- 2 (b) A medical report.
- 3 (c) A report or finding of an administrative agency.
- 4 (d) Physical signs of abuse or violence.
- 5 (7) If the court refuses to grant a personal protection
- 6 order, it shall state immediately in writing the specific reasons
- 7 it refused to issue a personal protection order. If a hearing is
- 8 held, the court shall also immediately state on the record the
- 9 specific reasons it refuses to issue a personal protection
- 10 order.
- 11 (8) A personal protection order shall not be made mutual.
- 12 Correlative separate personal protection orders are prohibited
- 13 unless both parties have properly petitioned the court pursuant
- 14 to under subsection (1).
- 15 (9) A personal protection order is effective and immediately
- 16 enforceable anywhere in this state when signed by a judge. Upon
- 17 service, a personal protection order may also be enforced by
- 18 another state, an Indian tribe, or a territory of the United
- 19 States.
- 20 (10) The court shall designate the law enforcement agency
- 21 that is responsible for entering the personal protection order
- 22 into the law enforcement information network as provided by the
- 23 L.E.I.N. policy council act of 1974, 1974 PA 163, MCL 28.211 to
- 24 28.216.
- 25 (11) A personal protection order shall include all of the
- 26 following, and to the extent practicable the following shall be
- 27 contained in a single form:

- 1 (a) A statement that the personal protection order has been
- 2 entered to restrain or enjoin conduct listed in the order and
- 3 that violation of the personal protection order will subject the
- 4 individual restrained or enjoined to 1 or more of the following:
- 5 (i) If the respondent is 17 years of age or more, immediate
- 6 arrest and the civil and criminal contempt powers of the court,
- 7 and that if he or she is found guilty of criminal contempt, he or
- 8 she shall be imprisoned for not more than 93 days and may be
- 9 fined not more than \$500.00.
- 10 (ii) If the respondent is less than 17 years of age,
- 11 immediate apprehension or being taken into custody, and subject
- 12 to the dispositional alternatives listed in section 18 of chapter
- 13 XIIA of the probate code of 1939, 1939 PA 288, MCL 712A.18.
- 14 (iii) If the respondent violates the personal protection
- 15 order in a jurisdiction other than this state, the respondent is
- 16 subject to the enforcement procedures and penalties of the state,
- 17 Indian tribe, or United States territory under whose jurisdiction
- 18 the violation occurred.
- 19 (b) A statement that the personal protection order is
- 20 effective and immediately enforceable anywhere in this state when
- 21 signed by a judge, and that, upon service, a personal protection
- 22 order also may be enforced by another state, an Indian tribe, or
- 23 a territory of the United States.
- (c) A statement listing the type or types of conduct
- 25 enjoined.
- 26 (d) An expiration date stated clearly on the face of the
- 27 order.

- 1 (e) A statement that the personal protection order is
- 2 enforceable anywhere in Michigan by any law enforcement agency.
- 3 (f) The law enforcement agency designated by the court to
- 4 enter the personal protection order into the law enforcement
- 5 information network.
- **6** (g) For ex parte orders, a statement that the individual
- 7 restrained or enjoined may file a motion to modify or rescind the
- 8 personal protection order and request a hearing within 14 days
- 9 after the individual restrained or enjoined has been served or
- 10 has received actual notice of the order and that motion forms and
- 11 filing instructions are available from the clerk of the court.
- 12 (12) An ex parte personal protection order shall be issued
- 13 and effective without written or oral notice to the individual
- 14 restrained or enjoined or his or her attorney if it clearly
- 15 appears from specific facts shown by verified complaint, written
- 16 motion, or affidavit that immediate and irreparable injury, loss,
- 17 or damage will result from the delay required to effectuate
- 18 notice or that the notice will itself precipitate adverse action
- 19 before a personal protection order can be issued.
- 20 (13) A personal protection order issued under subsection (12)
- 21 is valid for not less than 182 days. The individual restrained
- 22 or enjoined may file a motion to modify or rescind the personal
- 23 protection order and request a hearing under the Michigan court
- 24 rules. The motion to modify or rescind the personal protection
- 25 order shall be filed within 14 days after the order is served or
- 26 after the individual restrained or enjoined has received actual
- 27 notice of the personal protection order unless good cause is

- 1 shown for filing the motion after the 14 days have elapsed.
- 2 (14) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the
- 3 court shall schedule a hearing on the motion to modify or rescind
- 4 the ex parte personal protection order within 14 days after the
- 5 filing of the motion to modify or rescind. If the respondent is
- 6 a person described in subsection (2) and the personal protection
- 7 order prohibits him or her from purchasing or possessing a
- 8 firearm, the court shall schedule a hearing on the motion to
- 9 modify or rescind the ex parte personal protection order within 5
- 10 days after the filing of the motion to modify or rescind.
- 11 (15) The clerk of the court that issues a personal protection
- 12 order shall do all of the following immediately upon issuance and
- 13 without requiring a proof of service on the individual restrained
- 14 or enjoined:
- 15 (a) File a true copy of the personal protection order with
- 16 the law enforcement agency designated by the court in the
- 17 personal protection order.
- 18 (b) Provide the petitioner with not less than 2 true copies
- 19 of the personal protection order.
- 20 (c) If respondent is identified in the pleadings as a law
- 21 enforcement officer, notify the officer's employing law
- 22 enforcement agency, if known, about the existence of the personal
- 23 protection order.
- 24 (d) If the personal protection order prohibits respondent
- 25 from purchasing or possessing a firearm, notify the concealed
- 26 weapon licensing board in respondent's county of residence about
- 27 the existence and contents of the personal protection order.

- 1 (e) If the respondent is identified in the pleadings as a
- 2 department of corrections employee, notify the state department
- 3 of corrections about the existence of the personal protection
- 4 order.
- 5 (f) If the respondent is identified in the pleadings as being
- 6 a person who may have access to information concerning the
- 7 petitioner or a child of the petitioner or respondent and that
- 8 information is contained in friend of the court records, notify
- 9 the friend of the court for the county in which the information
- 10 is located about the existence of the personal protection order.
- 11 (16) The clerk of the court shall inform the petitioner that
- 12 he or she may take a true copy of the personal protection order
- 13 to the law enforcement agency designated by the court in
- 14 subsection (10) to be immediately entered into the law
- 15 enforcement information network.
- 16 (17) The law enforcement agency that receives a true copy of
- 17 the personal protection order under subsection (15) or (16) shall
- 18 immediately and without requiring proof of service enter the
- 19 personal protection order into the law enforcement information
- 20 network as provided by the L.E.I.N. policy council act of 1974,
- 21 1974 PA 163, MCL 28.211 to 28.216.
- 22 (18) A personal protection order issued under this section
- 23 shall be served personally or by registered or certified mail,
- 24 return receipt requested, delivery restricted to the addressee at
- 25 the last known address or addresses of the individual restrained
- 26 or enjoined or by any other manner provided in the Michigan court
- 27 rules. If the individual restrained or enjoined has not been

- 1 served, a law enforcement officer or clerk of the court who knows
- 2 that a personal protection order exists may, at any time, serve
- 3 the individual restrained or enjoined with a true copy of the
- 4 order or advise the individual restrained or enjoined about the
- 5 existence of the personal protection order, the specific conduct
- 6 enjoined, the penalties for violating the order, and where the
- 7 individual restrained or enjoined may obtain a copy of the
- 8 order. If the respondent is less than 18 years of age, the
- 9 parent, guardian, or custodian of that individual shall also be
- 10 served personally or by registered or certified mail, return
- 11 receipt requested, delivery restricted to the addressee at the
- 12 last known address or addresses of the parent, guardian, or
- 13 custodian of the individual restrained or enjoined. A proof of
- 14 service or proof of oral notice shall be filed with the clerk of
- 15 the court issuing the personal protection order. This subsection
- 16 does not prohibit the immediate effectiveness of a personal
- 17 protection order or its immediate enforcement under subsections
- **18** (21) and (22).
- 19 (19) The clerk of the court shall immediately notify the law
- 20 enforcement agency that received the personal protection order
- 21 under subsection (15) or (16) if either of the following occurs:
- 22 (a) The clerk of the court has received proof that the
- 23 individual restrained or enjoined has been served.
- 24 (b) The personal protection order is rescinded, modified, or
- 25 extended by court order.
- 26 (20) The law enforcement agency that receives information
- 27 under subsection (19) shall enter the information or cause the

- 1 information to be entered into the law enforcement information
- 2 network as provided by the L.E.I.N. policy council act of 1974,
- 3 1974 PA 163, MCL 28.211 to 28.216.
- 4 (21) Subject to subsection (22), a personal protection order
- 5 is immediately enforceable anywhere in this state by any law
- 6 enforcement agency that has received a true copy of the order, is
- 7 shown a copy of it, or has verified its existence on the law
- 8 enforcement information network as provided by the
- 9 L.E.I.N. policy council act of 1974, 1974 PA 163, MCL 28.211 to
- **10** 28.216.
- 11 (22) If the individual restrained or enjoined has not been
- 12 served, the law enforcement agency or officer responding to a
- 13 call alleging a violation of a personal protection order shall
- 14 serve the individual restrained or enjoined with a true copy of
- 15 the order or advise the individual restrained or enjoined about
- 16 the existence of the personal protection order, the specific
- 17 conduct enjoined, the penalties for violating the order, and
- 18 where the individual restrained or enjoined may obtain a copy of
- 19 the order. The law enforcement officer shall enforce the
- 20 personal protection order and immediately enter or cause to be
- 21 entered into the law enforcement information network that the
- 22 individual restrained or enjoined has actual notice of the
- 23 personal protection order. The law enforcement officer also
- 24 shall file a proof of service or proof of oral notice with the
- 25 clerk of the court issuing the personal protection order. If the
- 26 individual restrained or enjoined has not received notice of the
- 27 personal protection order, the individual restrained or enjoined

- 1 shall be given an opportunity to comply with the personal
- 2 protection order before the law enforcement officer makes a
- 3 custodial arrest for violation of the personal protection order.
- 4 The failure to immediately comply with the personal protection
- 5 order shall be grounds for an immediate custodial arrest. This
- 6 subsection does not preclude an arrest under section 15 or 15a of
- 7 chapter IV of the code of criminal procedure, 1927 PA 175,
- 8 MCL 764.15 and 764.15a, or a proceeding under section 14 of
- 9 chapter XIIA of the probate code of 1939, 1939 PA 288,
- **10** MCL 712A.14.
- 11 (23) An individual who is 17 years of age or more and who
- 12 refuses or fails to comply with a personal protection order under
- 13 this section is subject to the criminal contempt powers of the
- 14 court and, if found guilty, shall be imprisoned for not more than
- 15 93 days and may be fined not more than \$500.00. An individual
- 16 who is less than 17 years of age and who refuses or fails to
- 17 comply with a personal protection order issued under this section
- 18 is subject to the dispositional alternatives listed in section 18
- 19 of chapter XIIA of the probate code of 1939, 1939 PA 288,
- 20 MCL 712A.18. The criminal penalty provided for under this
- 21 section may be imposed in addition to a penalty that may be
- 22 imposed for another criminal offense arising from the same
- 23 conduct.
- 24 (24) An individual who knowingly and intentionally makes a
- 25 false statement to the court in support of his or her petition
- 26 for a personal protection order is subject to the contempt powers
- 27 of the court.

- 1 (25) A personal protection order issued under this section is
- 2 also enforceable under chapter XIIA of the probate code of 1939,
- 3 1939 PA 288, MCL 712A.1 to 712A.32, and section 15b of chapter IV
- 4 of the code of criminal procedure, 1927 PA 175, MCL 764.15b.
- 5 (26) A personal protection order issued under this section is
- 6 also enforceable under chapter 17.
- 7 (27) A court shall not issue a personal protection order that
- 8 restrains or enjoins conduct described in subsection (1) if any
- 9 of the following apply:
- 10 (a) The respondent is the unemancipated minor child of the
- 11 petitioner.
- 12 (b) The petitioner is the unemancipated minor child of the
- 13 respondent.
- 14 (c) The respondent is a minor child less than 10 years of
- **15** age.
- 16 (28) If the respondent is less than 18 years of age, issuance
- 17 of a personal protection order under this section is subject to
- 18 chapter XIIA of the probate code of 1939, 1939 PA 288, MCL 712A.1
- **19** to 712A.32.
- 20 (29) A personal protection order that is issued prior to the
- 21 effective date of the amendatory act that added this subsection
- 22 is not invalid on the ground that it does not comply with 1 or
- 23 more of the requirements added by this amendatory act.
- 24 (30) As used in this section:
- 25 (a) "Dating relationship" means frequent, intimate
- 26 associations primarily characterized by the expectation of
- 27 affectional involvement. This term does not include a casual

- 1 relationship or an ordinary fraternization between 2 individuals
- 2 in a business or social context.
- 3 (b) "Federal law enforcement officer" means an officer or
- 4 agent employed by a law enforcement agency of the United States
- 5 government whose primary responsibility is the enforcement of
- 6 laws of the United States.
- 7 (c) "Personal protection order" means an injunctive order
- 8 issued by the circuit court or the family division of circuit
- 9 court restraining or enjoining activity and individuals listed in
- 10 subsection (1).
- 11 Sec. 2950h. As used in this section and sections 2950i,
- **12** 2950j, 2950k, 2950*l*, and 2950m:
- 13 (a) "Foreign protection order" means an injunction or other
- 14 order issued by a court of another state, Indian tribe, or United
- 15 States territory for the purpose of preventing a person's violent
- 16 or threatening acts against, harassment of, contact with,
- 17 communication with, or physical proximity to another person.
- 18 Foreign protection order includes temporary and final orders
- 19 issued by civil and criminal courts (other than a support, -or
- 20 child custody, or parenting time order issued pursuant to state
- 21 divorce, -and- child custody, and parenting time laws, except to
- 22 the extent that such an order is entitled to full faith and
- 23 credit under other federal law), whether obtained by filing an
- 24 independent action or by joining a claim to an action, if a civil
- 25 order was issued in response to a complaint, petition, or motion
- 26 filed by or on behalf of a person seeking protection.
- 27 (b) "LEIN" means the law enforcement information network

- 1 regulated under the L.E.I.N. policy council act of 1974, 1974 PA
- 2 163, MCL 28.211 to 28.216.
- 3 (c) "NCIC protection order file" means the national crime
- 4 information center protection order file maintained by the United
- 5 States department of justice, federal bureau of investigation.
- 6 Sec. 2950j. (1) A valid foreign protection order shall be
- 7 accorded full faith and credit by the court and shall be subject
- 8 to the same enforcement procedures and penalties as if it were
- 9 issued in this state.
- 10 (2) A child custody, parenting time, or support provision
- 11 within a valid foreign protection order shall be accorded full
- 12 faith and credit by the court and shall be subject to the same
- 13 enforcement procedures and penalties as any provision within a
- 14 personal protection order issued in this state. This subsection
- 15 shall not be construed to preclude law enforcement officers'
- 16 compliance with the child protection law, 1975 PA 238, MCL
- **17** 722.621 to 722.638.
- 18 Sec. 4319. If the action for habeas corpus is brought by a
- 19 parent, foster-parent, or other relative of the child, to obtain
- 20 custody of or parenting time with a child under the age of 16
- 21 years from a parent, foster-parent, or other relative of the
- 22 child, issuance of the writ of habeas corpus is not mandatory.
- Sec. 5071. Parties to an action for divorce, annulment,
- 24 separate maintenance, -or child support, -custody, or parenting
- 25 time, or to a postjudgment proceeding related to such an action,
- 26 may stipulate to binding arbitration by a signed agreement that
- 27 specifically provides for an award with respect to 1 or more of

- 1 the following issues:
- 2 (a) Real and personal property.
- 3 (b) Child custody Parenting time.
- 4 (c) Child support, subject to the restrictions and
- 5 requirements in other law and court rule as provided in this
- 6 act.
- 7 (d) Parenting time.
- 8 (d) $\frac{-(e)}{}$ Spousal support.
- 9 (e) $\frac{\text{(f)}}{\text{(osts, expenses, and attorney fees.}}$
- 10 (f) -(g) Enforceability of prenuptial and postnuptial
- 11 agreements.
- 12 (g) -(h) Allocation of the parties' responsibility for debt
- 13 as between the parties.
- 14 (h) -(i) Other contested domestic relations matters.
- 15 Sec. 5077. (1) Except as provided by this section, court
- 16 rule, or the arbitration agreement, a record shall not be made of
- 17 an arbitration hearing under this chapter. If a record is not
- 18 required, an arbitrator may make a record to be used only by the
- 19 arbitrator to aid in reaching the decision. The parties may
- 20 provide in the arbitration agreement that a record be made of
- 21 those portions of a hearing related to 1 or more issues subject
- 22 to arbitration.
- 23 (2) A record shall be made of that portion of a hearing that
- 24 concerns child support -, custody, or parenting time in the same
- 25 manner required by the Michigan court rules for the record of a
- 26 witness's testimony in a deposition.
- 27 Sec. 5078. (1) Unless otherwise agreed by the parties and

- 1 arbitrator in writing or on the record, the arbitrator shall
- 2 issue the written award on each issue within 60 days after either
- 3 the end of the hearing or, if requested by the arbitrator, after
- 4 receipt of proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law.
- 5 (2) Subject to the other restrictions in this subsection, if
- 6 the parties reach an agreement regarding child support -,
- 7 custody, or parenting time, the agreement shall be placed on the
- 8 record by the parties under oath and shall be included in the
- 9 arbitrator's written award. An arbitrator shall not include in
- 10 the award a child support amount that deviates from the child
- 11 support formula developed by the state friend of the court bureau
- 12 unless the arbitrator complies with the same requirements for
- 13 such a deviation prescribed for the court under the law that
- 14 applies to the domestic relations dispute that is being
- 15 arbitrated.
- 16 (3) An arbitrator under this chapter retains jurisdiction to
- 17 correct errors or omissions in an award until the court confirms
- 18 the award. Within 14 days after the award is issued, a party to
- 19 the arbitration may file a motion to correct errors or
- 20 omissions. The other party to the arbitration may respond to
- 21 such a motion within 14 days after the motion is filed. The
- 22 arbitrator shall issue a decision on the motion within 14 days
- 23 after receipt of a response to the motion or, if a response is
- 24 not filed, within 14 days after expiration of the response
- 25 period.
- 26 Sec. 5080. (1) Subject to subsection (2), the circuit court
- 27 shall not vacate or modify an award concerning child support --

- 1 custody, or parenting time unless the court finds that the award
- 2 is adverse to the best interests of the child who is the subject
- 3 of the award or under the provisions of section 5081.
- 4 (2) A review or modification of a child support amount —
- 5 child custody, or parenting time shall be conducted and is
- 6 subject to the standards and procedures provided in other
- 7 statutes, in other applicable law, and by court rule that are
- **8** applicable to child support amounts -, child custody, or
- 9 parenting time.
- 10 (3) Other standards and procedures regarding review of
- 11 arbitration awards described in this section are governed by
- 12 court rule.
- 13 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect
- **14** January 1, 2005.
- 15 Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take
- 16 effect unless House Bill No. 5949 of the 92nd Legislature is
- 17 enacted into law.