SENATE BILL NO. 114

February 27, 2025, Introduced by Senators IRWIN, HERTEL, ANTHONY, KLINEFELT, BAYER, SHINK and CAVANAGH and referred to Committee on Civil Rights, Judiciary, and Public Safety.

A bill to provide for the creation of a vulnerable adult multidisciplinary team; to prescribe the powers and duties of a vulnerable adult multidisciplinary team; and to provide for the powers and duties of certain state and local governmental officers and entities.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Sec. 1. (1) Each county or region in this state may create a vulnerable adult multidisciplinary team.
- 3 (2) A county or region that creates a vulnerable adult
- 4 multidisciplinary team should ensure that the team includes public,

- 1 private, and represented professionals generally authorized to 2 represent their agency.
- 3 (3) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a team
- 4 may share information among parties in performing its duties. All
- 5 of the following apply to a team:
- 6 (a) The team is bound by confidentiality.
- 7 (b) The team shall execute a sworn statement attesting to its 8 obligation to confidentiality as described in subdivision (a).
- 9 (c) The team shall only use information or records produced or
- 10 obtained by the team in the exercise of its proper functions and
- 11 shall only disclose the information or records to the following
- 12 entities if the disclosure is not prohibited under other state
- 13 laws:
- 14 (i) Adult protective services within the department of health
- 15 and human services.
- 16 (ii) The long-term care ombudsman program created under section
- 17 6(aa) of the older Michiganians act, 1981 PA 180, MCL 400.586.
- 18 (iii) The attorney general.
- 19 (iv) The county prosecutor of a county that created the team.
- 20 (v) A law enforcement officer as defined in section 2 of the
- 21 Michigan commission on law enforcement standards act, 1965 PA 203,
- 22 MCL 28.602.
- (vi) Another member of the team.
- 24 (4) The information and records produced or obtained by a team
- 25 are not subject to disclosure under the freedom of information act,
- 26 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.231 to 15.246.
- 27 (5) A team is not a public body under the open meetings act,
- 28 1976 PA 267, MCL 15.261 to 15.275, and meetings of a team are not
- 29 subject to the open meetings act, 1976 PA 267, MCL 15.261 to

- 1 15.275.
- 2 Sec. 2. As used in this act:
- 3 (a) "Region" means an area within this state to which both of
- 4 the following apply:
- 5 (i) It consists of more than 1 county.
- (ii) Each county in the area is contiguous to at least 1 other
- 7 county in the area.
- 8 (b) "Represented professionals" may include, but is not
- 9 limited to, any of the following:
- 10 (i) A law enforcement officer as defined in section 2 of the
- 11 Michigan commission on law enforcement standards act, 1965 PA 203,
- 12 MCL 28.602.
- 13 (ii) A representative of adult protective services within the
- 14 department of health and human services.
- 15 (iii) A representative of the attorney general.
- 16 (iv) The county prosecuting attorney of the county that created
- 17 the team or a designated assistant county prosecutor of the county
- 18 that created the team.
- (v) A representative of the long-term care ombudsman program
- 20 created under section 6(aa) of the older Michiganians act, 1981 PA
- 21 180, MCL 400.586.
- (vi) A representative of the department of health and human
- 23 services or a local health department. As used in this
- 24 subparagraph, "local health department" means that term as defined
- 25 in section 1105 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL
- 26 333.1105.
- 27 (vii) A representative of the Area Agencies on Aging
- 28 Association of Michigan.
- 29 (viii) A health care professional licensed or registered under

- 1 article 15 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.16101 to
- 2 333.18838, who has experience or training in the prevention of the
- 3 abuse of elderly or vulnerable adults.
- 4 (ix) A representative of Michigan Legal Services.
- 5 (x) A public administrator. As used in this subparagraph,
- 6 "public administrator" means an individual appointed to serve as a
- 7 county public administrator under section 2 of 1947 PA 194, MCL
- 8 720.202.
- 9 (xi) A representative of a community mental health services
- 10 program. As used in this subparagraph, "community mental health
- 11 services program" means that term as used in section 100a of the
- 12 mental health code, 1974 PA 258, MCL 330.1100a.
- (xii) An individual with expertise in finance or forensic
- 14 accounting.
- 15 (c) "Team" means a vulnerable adult multidisciplinary team as
- 16 that term is defined in subdivision (e).
- 17 (d) "Vulnerable adult" means an individual to whom at least 1
- 18 of the following apply:
- 19 (i) Is at least 18 years of age and, because of age,
- 20 developmental disability, mental illness, or physical disability
- 21 requires supervision or personal care or lacks the personal and
- 22 social skills required to live independently.
- (ii) Is an adult as that term is defined in section 3 of the
- 24 adult foster care facility licensing act, 1979 PA 218, MCL 400.703,
- 25 or section 11 of the social welfare act, 1939 PA 280, MCL 400.11.
- 26 (e) "Vulnerable adult multidisciplinary team" means 2 or more
- 27 individuals qualified to provide a broad range of services related
- 28 to the needs of vulnerable adults whose purpose is to further 1 or
- 29 more of the following goals:

- 1 (i) Prevent, investigate, or prosecute the abuse and financial exploitation offenses of vulnerable adults as permitted under the laws of this state.
- 4 (ii) Coordinate medical, social, and legal services for vulnerable adults and the families of vulnerable adults.
- 6 (iii) Develop programs for the detection and prevention of the 7 abuse, neglect, and exploitation of vulnerable adults.
- 8 (iv) Promote community awareness and recommend actions to 9 address key issues faced by vulnerable adults.
- 10 (v) Disseminate information to the public regarding all of the 11 following:
- 12 (A) The abuse, neglect, and exploitation of vulnerable adults.
- 13 (B) Strategies and methods for preventing the abuse, neglect, 14 and exploitation of vulnerable adults.
- 15 (C) Treatment options for vulnerable adults.