

Legislative Tracker: Expectant and Parenting Youth



2019-2020 Michigan Legislative Session

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Bill Number and Description	Sponsors	Progress Indicator:				
		In Committee	Passed State House	Passed State Senate	In Governor's Office	Final Outcome:
<p>HB 4290 : Create a Child Care Task Force</p> <p>This bill would create a group of state officials tasked with "developing regulations governing licensing and regulatory matters for child care centers, group child care homes, and family child care homes," as well as the administration of these child care facilities.</p>	<p><i>Sponsored by: Michele Hoyenga</i></p>	 3/5/19				
<p>HB 4523-4526 : Establish "Newborn Safety Devices" and Extend Safe Delivery of Newborns Time</p> <p>These bills revise the Safe Delivery of Newborns law so that newborns could be surrendered up to 30 days old (vs. the current limit of 3 days). They would also allow health providers and facilities to implement "newborn safety devices" in which someone could surrender a newborn safely and anonymously.</p>	<p><i>Sponsored by: Branna Kahle, Eric Leutheuser, Ben Frederick, Daire Rendon, Jim Ellison, Brenda Carter, Gary Howell, Sheldon Neeley, Joseph Tate, Luke Meerman, Padma Kuppa, Frank Liberati, Hank Vaupel, Tommy Brann, Julie Brixie, Wendell Bryd</i></p>	 4/30/19				
<p>HB 4667 : Expand Great Start Program Eligibility to 3 Year Old Children</p> <p>This bill would extend eligibility for children to participating in the state's "Great Start" programs, which are "comprehensive free compensatory classroom programs designed to improve the readiness and subsequent achievement of educationally disadvantaged children," to children as young as 3 years old.</p>	<p><i>Sponsored by: Kristy Pagan, Robert Wittenberg, Darrin Camilleri, Mari Manoogian, Lori Stone, William Sowerby, Sheryl Kennedy, Matt Koleszar, Leslie Love, Julie Brixie, Brenda Carter, Kara Hope, Sherry Gay-Dagnogo, Jan Hoadley, Terry Sabo</i></p>	 5/24/19				
<p>HB 4668 : Expand Income Eligibility Requirements for the Great Start Program</p> <p>This bill would extend eligibility for children to participating in the state's "Great Start" programs, which are "comprehensive free compensatory classroom programs designed to improve the readiness and subsequent achievement of educationally disadvantaged children," to households whose income is under 350% of the federal poverty line (extended from 250%).</p>	<p><i>Sponsored by: Kristy Pagan, Robert Wittenberg, Darrin Camilleri, Mari Manoogian, Lori Stone, William Sowerby, Sheryl Kennedy, Matt Koleszar, Leslie Love, Julie Brixie, Brenda Carter, Kara Hope, Sherry Gay-Dagnogo, Jan Hoadley, Terry Sabo</i></p>	 5/24/19				
<p>HB 4957 : Allow Unborn Fetus Advocate in Child Abuse Cases</p> <p>This bill would allow courts to appoint "an advocate to represent the interests of an unborn human fetus" in a criminal prosecution case related to child abuse. This advocate would be a pro bono lawyer or law student. They would be allowed to monitor the case, consult police officer records, attend hearings, coordinate expert testimony, and "prepare and present a victim impact statement" on behalf of the unborn fetus.</p>	<p><i>Sponsored by: Pamela Hornberger</i></p>	 9/12/19				