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## **REQUEST FOR RULEMAKING (RFR)**

### 1. Department:

Attorney General

- **2. Bureau:** Public Administration Division
- **3. Promulgation type:** Full Process
- **4. Title of proposed rule set:** Financial Exploitation Prevention Act
- **5. Rule numbers or rule set range of numbers:** R14.21 to 14.41
- 6. Estimated time frame:
  - 12 months

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## 7. Describe the general purpose of these rules, including any problems the changes are intended to address.

The purpose of these rules is to proscribe methods for notifying the county prosecutor of suspected or detected covered financial exploitation observed by a financial institution, as provided in subsection 5(5) and subsection 5(6) of the Financial Exploitation Prevention Act (2020 PA 344).

## 8. Please cite the specific promulgation authority for the rules (i.e. department director, commission, board, etc.).

Attorney General.

## A. Please list all applicable statutory references (MCLs, Executive Orders, etc.).

MCL 487.2081, 487.2083, 487.2085, 487.2087, 487.2089, 487.2091.

# B. Are the rules mandated by any applicable constitutional or statutory provision? If so, please explain.

MCL 487.2081, 487.2083, 487.2085, 487.2087, 487.2089, 487.2091.

9. Please describe the extent to which the rules conflict with or duplicate similar rules, compliance requirements, or other standards adopted at the state, regional, or federal level.

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The proposed rules are new, and will be promulgated pursuant to authority granted the Department of Attorney General under the Financial Exploitation Prevention Act (2020 PA 344), referenced above. It is not anticipated that the rules conflict with or duplicate similar rules, compliance requirements, or other standards adopted at the state, regional or federal level.

#### 10. Is the subject matter of the rules currently contained in any guideline, handbook, manual, instructional bulletin, form with instructions, or operational memoranda? No.

11. Are the rules listed on the department's annual regulatory plan as rules to be processed for the current year?

No.

12. Will the proposed rules be promulgated under Section 44 of the Administrative Procedures Act, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.244, or under the full rulemaking process? Full Process

13. Please describe the extent to which the rules exceed similar regulations, compliance requirements, or other standards adopted at the state, regional, or federal level.

Broadly, the purpose of FEPA is to require financial institutions to report financial exploitation of their members or customers to APS or law enforcement, which was not previously required under Michigan law. The purpose of these specific rules is to provide (1) a method for APS or law enforcement to notify county prosecutors that they have received a report of suspected or detected covered financial exploitation from the financial institution, and (2) for financial institutions to notify county prosecutors directly if they are not receiving a response from APS/law enforcement that they should receive under the act.

#### 14. Do the rules incorporate the recommendations received from the public regarding any complaints or comments regarding the rules? If yes, please explain. No.

15. If amending an existing rule set, please provide the date of the last evaluation of the rules and the degree, if any, to which technology, economic conditions, or other factors have changed the regulatory activity covered by the rules since the last evaluation.

Not applicable, new rules to be added.

16. Are there any changes or developments since implementation that demonstrate there is no continued need for the rules, or any portion of the rules?

No.

17. Is there an applicable decision record (as defined in MCL 24.203(6) and required by MCL 24.239(2))? If so, please attach the decision record.

No