

REVISED JUDICATURE ACT OF 1961 (EXCERPT)
Act 236 of 1961

600.4703a Seizure of computer or computer information storage device; copy provided to court; retention as confidential record; “computer” and “computer storage device” defined.

Sec. 4703a.

(1) If a computer or computer information storage device is seized for a violation of Act No. 53 of the Public Acts of 1979, being sections 752.791 to 752.797 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, the seizing agency shall immediately make a copy of all information contained in that computer or computer information storage device under the supervision of the court and in a manner approved by the court having jurisdiction and provide that copy to the court.

(2) The court shall retain the copy received under subsection (1) as a confidential record. The copy shall be used only to verify the integrity of the information contained in the computer or computer information storage device seized. Upon conclusion of the proceedings, the court shall order the copy of the information destroyed.

(3) As used in this section:

(a) "Computer" means that term as defined in section 2(3) of Act No. 53 of the Public Acts of 1979, being section 752.792 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

(b) "Computer storage device" means a tape, disk, card, or other device used or intended to be used to store information for use by a computer.

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