

**SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
NO. 24**

1 A concurrent resolution to demand that the Governor compile
2 and make publicly available certain data, to encourage medical
3 professionals to provide elective medical procedures, and to
4 encourage the people of Michigan to continue to practice safe
5 social distancing.

6 Whereas, COVID-19 is a respiratory disease that can result in
7 serious illness and death; and

8 Whereas, In Executive Order 2020-17, Governor Whitmer
9 prohibited hospitals, clinics, and medical professionals from
10 conducting elective medical procedures, including non-essential
11 preventive care, even in cases where hospitals and medical
12 professionals have the capacity to safely do so; and

13 Whereas, Governor Whitmer has not provided and made available



1 to the public, daily, county-level data on COVID-19
2 hospitalizations, hospital occupancy rates, emergency room visits,
3 or medical staffing numbers. Providing these and other data would
4 improve government transparency and accountability and would allow
5 Michigan residents to learn more about the state of the COVID-19
6 Pandemic in their area; now, therefore, be it

7 Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate
8 concurring), That we demand that the Governor compile and make
9 available within seven days from the date of this concurrent
10 resolution, in a manner easily accessible by the public, detailed
11 data summarized by county on:

- 12 1. The daily number of available hospital beds occupied by
13 all patients since January 1, 2020, segregated by in-
14 patient beds, negative air flow beds, and intensive care
15 unit (ICU) beds, as provided by the hospitals.
- 16 2. The daily number of available hospital beds occupied by
17 confirmed COVID-19 patients since January 1, 2020,
18 segregated by in-patient beds, negative air flow beds,
19 and ICU beds, as provided by the hospitals.
- 20 3. The daily number of emergency room visits in total and
21 the daily number of emergency room visits by patients
22 testing positive for COVID-19 since January 1, 2020.
- 23 4. The daily number of confirmed COVID-19 hospitalizations
24 and confirmed COVID-19 deaths that are related to
25 retirement homes or nursing homes since January 1, 2020.
- 26 5. The daily number of confirmed COVID-19 hospitalizations
27 and confirmed COVID-19 deaths of individuals who have had
28 other pre-existing or underlying health conditions since
29 January 1, 2020, with segregation of those health



1 conditions and a breakdown of confirmed COVID-19
 2 hospitalizations and confirmed COVID-19 deaths by age,
 3 gender, and race.

4 6. The daily number of ventilators available and daily
 5 inventories of hospital personal protective equipment
 6 (PPE) since March 10, 2020.

7 7. The daily quantities of PPE possessed by the state
 8 government and the quantities distributed to each
 9 hospital since March 10, 2020.

10 8. The number of medical professionals who have been
 11 furloughed, had work hours reduced, or received a cut in
 12 pay since March 10, 2020.

13 9. The daily number of COVID-19 tests conducted since March
 14 10, 2020, including positive and negative results.

15 ; and be it further

16 Resolved, That we demand that all data related to emergency
 17 room visits, hospitalizations, and deaths related to COVID-19
 18 patients be confirmed to be COVID-19 positive patients, and the
 19 date of the emergency visit, hospitalization, or death be recorded
 20 as the actual date of occurrence, not the date of any data
 21 adjustments being made subsequently; and be it further

22 Resolved, That we encourage the people of Michigan to continue
 23 to follow national guidelines for safe social distancing and take
 24 steps to protect the populations most at risk, including those
 25 residing in nursing homes and retirement homes; and be it further

26 Resolved, That if the Governor issues any new executive orders
 27 pertaining to elective and preventive care procedures, hospitals,
 28 clinics, and medical professionals should have the freedom to
 29 provide elective procedures and preventive care where it is deemed



1 appropriate based on staffing capacity, hospital capacity, and
2 availability of PPE and as medical professionals in those
3 facilities determine the best approach to implement national
4 guidelines for safe social distancing; and be it further

5 Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the
6 Governor.

