## **HOUSE BILL No. 5816**

March 2, 2006, Introduced by Reps. Pavlov, Sheltrown, Gaffney, Vander Veen, Emmons and Acciavatti and referred to the Committee on Insurance.

A bill to amend 1980 PA 350, entitled "The nonprofit health care corporation reform act," (MCL 550.1101 to 550.1704) by adding section 409a.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 SEC. 409A. (1) ANY CERTIFICATE DELIVERED, ISSUED FOR DELIVERY,
- 2 OR RENEWED IN THIS STATE THAT PROVIDES FOR COVERAGE FOR DEPENDENT
- 3 CHILDREN WHO ARE FULL-TIME OR PART-TIME STUDENTS SHALL CONTINUE
- 4 COVERAGE FOR THAT DEPENDENT STUDENT IF THE DEPENDENT STUDENT IS
- 5 COVERED UNDER THAT CERTIFICATE AND TAKES A LEAVE OF ABSENCE FROM
- 6 SCHOOL DUE TO ILLNESS OR INJURY. COVERAGE UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL
- 7 CONTINUE FOR 12 MONTHS FROM THE LAST DAY OF ATTENDANCE IN SCHOOL OR
- 8 UNTIL THE DEPENDENT REACHES THE AGE AT WHICH COVERAGE WOULD
  - OTHERWISE TERMINATE, WHICHEVER PERIOD IS SHORTER.

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- 1 (2) TO QUALIFY FOR COVERAGE UNDER THIS SECTION, THE DEPENDENT
- 2 STUDENT'S ATTENDING PHYSICIAN SHALL CERTIFY IN WRITING TO THE
- 3 HEALTH CARE CORPORATION THAT IT IS MEDICALLY NECESSARY FOR THE
- 4 DEPENDENT STUDENT TO TAKE A LEAVE OF ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL.
- 5 (3) COVERAGE UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE PROVIDED AT THE SAME
- 6 RATE AS THAT CHARGED [FOR DEPENDENT STUDENT STATUS.]
- 7 (4) A DEPENDENT CHILD MUST CONTINUE TO MEET ALL OTHER
- 8 ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR DEPENDENT COVERAGE IN THE HEALTH CARE
- 9 CORPORTION'S CERTIFICATE OR RIDER IF THE DEPENDENT CHILD TAKES A
- 10 LEAVE OF ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL DUE TO ILLNESS OR INJURY.
- 11 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect January
- **12** 1, 2007.