

NOTICE OF INCLUDED GRATUITY

House Bill 5056

Sponsor: Rep. Raymond Basham First Committee: Health Policy

Second Committee: Consumer Protection

Complete to 2-5-98

A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5056 AS INTRODUCED 7-15-97

House Bill 5056 would amend the Public Health Code to require that notice of the amount of any automatically charged gratuity be placed on a customer's bill. Specifically, a food service establishment that charged an automatic gratuity for meals, drinks, customers, or tables served would have to include, at the least, a notice indicating the amount of gratuity charged, either as a fixed amount or as a percentage of the customer's bill. The notice would have to be printed in a conspicuous and easily readable type size and format that was in contrast to the surrounding printed material of the bill. Failure to provide this notice would subject the establishment to licensure sanctions, injunction, and criminal penalty (misdemeanor) as allowed under the code.

MCL 333.12917

Analyst: W. Flory

[■] This analysis was prepared by nonpartisan House staff for use by House members in their deliberations, and does not constitute an official statement of legislative intent.