HOUSE BILL No. 4419

March 1, 2005, Introduced by Reps. Anderson, Accavitti, Williams, Bieda, Brown, Kathleen Law, Sak, Plakas, Leland, Hopgood, Vagnozzi, Zelenko, Tobocman, Gleason, Wojno and Gonzales and referred to the Committee on Senior Health, Security, and Retirement.

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code,"

by amending sections 21751 and 21786 (MCL 333.21751 and 333.21786).

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 21751. (1) When the department has concluded a proceeding
- 2 under sections 71 to 106 of the administrative procedures act of
- 3 1969, as amended, being sections 24.271 to 24.306 of the Michigan
- 4 Compiled Laws MCL 24.271 TO 24.306, or when IF the department
- 5 has suspended or revoked the license of a nursing home, the
- 6 department, a patient in the <u>facility</u> NURSING HOME, or a
- 7 patient's representative may file an emergency petition with the

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- 1 circuit court to place the nursing home under the control of a
- 2 receiver if necessary to protect the health or safety of patients
- 3 in the nursing home. The court may grant the petition upon a
- 4 finding that the health or safety of the patients in the nursing
- 5 home would be seriously threatened if a condition existing at the
- 6 time the petition was filed is permitted to continue.
- 7 (2) The IF A PETITION IS FILED UNDER SUBSECTION (1), THE
- 8 court shall appoint as receiver the director of the department of
- 9 social HUMAN services, the director of the department of -public
- 10 COMMUNITY health, or another state agency or person designated by
- 11 the director of -public THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY health. The
- 12 receiver appointed by the court shall use the income and assets of
- 13 the nursing home AND, EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED BY LAW, THE
- 14 PERSONAL INCOME AND ASSETS OF EACH OWNER OF THE NURSING HOME to
- 15 maintain and operate the NURSING home and to attempt to correct the
- 16 conditions which THAT constitute a threat to the patients IN THE
- 17 NURSING HOME. —A— THE RECEIVER SHALL NOT MAKE A major structural
- 18 alteration -shall not be made to the nursing home, unless the
- 19 alteration is necessary to bring the nursing home into compliance
- 20 with licensing requirements.
- 21 (3) To assist in the implementation of the mandate of the
- 22 court, the receiver APPOINTED UNDER SUBSECTION (2) may request and
- 23 receive reasonable consultation from the available personnel of
- 24 WITHIN the department.
- 25 (4) The COURT SHALL TERMINATE A receivership -shall be
- 26 terminated ORDERED UNDER THIS SECTION when the receiver and the
- 27 court certify that the conditions which THAT prompted the

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- 1 appointment OF THE RECEIVER have been corrected, when the NURSING
- 2 HOME'S license is restored, when a new license is issued, or, in
- 3 the case of a discontinuance of operation OF THE NURSING HOME, when
- 4 the patients are safely placed in other facilities, whichever
- 5 occurs first.
- **6** (5) Upon the termination of the receivership, the receiver
- 7 shall render a complete accounting to the court and shall dispose
- 8 of surplus funds as the court directs.
- 9 Sec. 21786. (1) In the case of an emergency closing of a
- 10 nursing home, or when it is determined by IF the department
- 11 DETERMINES that a nursing home is suddenly no longer able to
- 12 provide adequate patient care, the department shall do both of the
- 13 following:
- 14 (a) Assure that the department of social HUMAN services has
- 15 been notified to make arrangements for the orderly and safe
- 16 discharge and transfer of the NURSING HOME'S patients to another
- **17** facility.
- (b) Place a representative of the department in -a facility
- 19 THE NURSING HOME on a daily basis to do each of the following:
- 20 (i) Monitor the discharge AND TRANSFER of patients to other
- 21 facilities or locations.
- (ii) Ensure that the rights of patients are protected.
- 23 (iii) Discuss the discharge and relocation with each patient and
- 24 next of kin or legal guardian, person, or agency responsible for
- 25 the patient's placement, maintenance, and care in the -facility
- 26 NURSING HOME. The DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVE SHALL PRODUCE A WRITTEN
- 27 SUMMARY OF THE content of -the- EACH explanation and discussion

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- 1 shall be summarized in writing and shall be made MAKE THE
- 2 WRITTEN SUMMARY a part of the patient's clinical record.
- 3 (2) IF THE DEPARTMENT DETERMINES THAT A NURSING HOME IS NO
- 4 LONGER ABLE TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE PATIENT CARE AND ORDERS THE NURSING
- 5 HOME TO DISCONTINUE OPERATION, OR IF THE DEPARTMENT REVOKES A
- 6 NURSING HOME'S LICENSE AND AS A RESULT THE NURSING HOME
- 7 DISCONTINUES OPERATION, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL FILE A PETITION WITH
- 8 THE CIRCUIT COURT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL
- 9 PETITION THE COURT FOR AN ORDER FREEZING THE ASSETS AND INCOME OF
- 10 THE NURSING HOME AND THE PERSONAL ASSETS AND INCOME OF EACH OWNER
- 11 OF THE NURSING HOME. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL FURTHER PETITION THE
- 12 COURT FOR AN ORDER ALLOWING THE DEPARTMENT TO USE THOSE ASSETS AND
- 13 INCOME TO PAY THE COST OF DISCHARGING AND TRANSFERRING THE NURSING
- 14 HOME'S PATIENTS AS DESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION AND OTHER COSTS
- 15 INCURRED BY THE DEPARTMENT UNDER THIS SECTION.