HOUSE BILL NO. 5520

February 20, 2020, Introduced by Rep. Reilly and referred to the Committee on Health Policy.

A bill to amend 1967 PA 270, entitled

"An act to provide for the collection, reporting, and release of certain information or data relating to health care research or education, patient safety, health care entities, practitioners, or professions, or certain governmentally funded programs; to limit the liability with respect to the collection, reporting, and release of certain information or data; and to safeguard the confidential character of certain information or data,"

by amending section 1 (MCL 331.531), as amended by 2008 PA 541.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 1. (1) A person, organization, or entity may provide to a





- 1 review entity information or data relating to the physical or
- 2 psychological condition of a person, an individual, the necessity,
- 3 appropriateness, or quality of health care rendered to a person, an
- 4 individual, or the qualifications, competence, or performance of a
- 5 health care provider.
- 6 (2) As used in this section, "review entity" means 1 of the
- 7 following:
- 8 (a) A duly appointed peer review committee of 1 of the
- 9 following:
- 10 (i) The This state.
- 11 (ii) A state or county association of health care
- 12 professionals.
- 13 (iii) A health facility or agency licensed under article 17 of
- 14 the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.20101 to
- 15 333.22260.333.21925.
- 16 (iv) A health care association.
- 17 (v) A health care network, a health care organization, or a
- 18 health care delivery system composed of health professionals
- 19 licensed under article 15 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368,
- **20** MCL 333.16101 to 333.18838, or composed of health facilities
- 21 licensed under article 17 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368,
- 22 MCL 333.20101 to 333.22260, 333.21925, or both.
- (vi) A health plan qualified under the program for medical
- 24 assistance administered by the department of health and human
- 25 services under the social welfare act, 1939 PA 280, MCL 400.1 to
- **26** 400.119b.
- 27 (b) A professional standards review organization qualified
- 28 under federal or state law.
- (c) A foundation or organization acting pursuant to the



- approval of a state or county association of health care
 professionals.
- 3 (d) A state department or agency whose jurisdiction4 encompasses the information described in subsection (1).
- (e) An organization established by a state association of hospitals or physicians, or both, that collects and verifies the authenticity of documents and other data concerning the qualifications, competence, or performance of licensed health care professionals and that acts as a health facility's agent pursuant to under the health care quality improvement act of 1986, title IV of Public Law 99-660, 42 USC 11101 to 11152.
- 12 (f) A professional corporation, limited liability partnership, or partnership consisting of 10 or more $\frac{\text{allopathic}}{\text{physicians}}$ 13 14 medicine, physicians of osteopathic physicians, medicine and 15 surgery, or podiatric physicians and surgeons licensed under 16 article 15 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.16101 to 17 333.18838, who regularly practice peer review consistent with the 18 requirements of article 17 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.20101 to 333.22260.333.21925. 19
- (g) An organization established by a state association of
 pharmacists, that collects and verifies the authenticity of
 documents and other data concerning the qualifications, competence,
 or performance of licensed pharmacists and pharmacies.
 - (h) A qualified hospital patient safety organization that collects data on serious adverse events under section 4.
- 26 (3) A person, organization, or entity is not civilly or 27 criminally liable as follows:
- (a) For providing information or data pursuant to subsection(1).



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- (b) For an act or communication within its scope as a review
 entity.
- 3 (c) For releasing or publishing a record of the proceedings,
 4 or of the reports, findings, or conclusions of a review entity,
 5 subject to sections 2 and 3.
- 6 (4) The immunity from liability provided under subsection (3)
 7 does not apply to a person, organization, or entity that acts with
 8 malice.
- 9 (5) An entity described in subsection (2) (a) (v) or (vi) that
 10 employs, contracts with, or grants privileges to a health
 11 professional licensed or registered under article 15 of the public
 12 health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.16101 to 333.18838, shall report
 13 each of the following to the department of community health
 14 licensing and regulatory affairs not more than 30 days after it
 15 occurs:
 - (a) Disciplinary action taken by the entity against a health professional licensed or registered under article 15 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.16101 to 333.18838, based on the health professional's professional competence, disciplinary action that results in a change of the health professional's employment status, or disciplinary action based on conduct that adversely affects the health professional's clinical privileges for a period of more than 15 days. As used in this subdivision, "adversely affects" means the reduction, restriction, suspension, revocation, denial, or failure to renew the clinical privileges of a health professional by an entity described in subsection (2) (a) (v) or (vi).
 - (b) Restriction or acceptance of the surrender of the clinical privileges of a health professional under either of the following circumstances:



- $oldsymbol{1}$ (i) The health professional is under investigation by the entity.
- 3 (ii) There is an agreement in which the entity agrees not to
 4 conduct an investigation into the health professional's alleged
 5 professional incompetence or improper professional conduct.
- 6 (c) A case in which a health professional resigns or
 7 terminates a contract or whose contract is not renewed instead of
 8 the entity taking disciplinary action against the health
 9 professional.
 - (6) Upon On request by another entity described in subsection (2) seeking a reference for purposes of changing or granting staff privileges, credentials, or employment, an entity described in subsection (2) that employs, contracts with, or grants privileges to health professionals licensed or registered under article 15 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.16101 to 333.18838, shall notify the requesting entity of any disciplinary or other action reportable under subsection (5) that it has taken against a health professional employed by, under contract to, or granted privileges by the entity.
- (7) For the purpose of reporting disciplinary actions under
 subsection (5), an entity described in subsection (2) (a) (v) or (vi)
 shall include only the following in the information provided:
 - (a) The name of the health professional against whom disciplinary action has been taken.
 - (b) A description of the disciplinary action taken.
 - (c) The specific grounds for the disciplinary action taken.
- (d) The date of the incident that is the basis for thedisciplinary action.
 - (8) For the purpose of reporting disciplinary actions under



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- 1 subsection (6), an entity described in subsection (2) shall include
- 2 in the report only the information described in subsection (7)(a)
- **3** to (d).
- 4 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
- 5 after the date it is enacted into law.
- 6 Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect
- 7 unless Senate Bill No. or House Bill No. 5510 (request no.
- 8 04667'19) of the 100th Legislature is enacted into law.

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