

SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 6551

A bill to amend 1939 PA 280, entitled
"The social welfare act,"
(MCL 400.1 to 400.119b) by adding section 22.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 SEC. 22. (1) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "PROGRAM OF ALL-
2 INCLUSIVE CARE FOR THE ELDERLY" OR "PACE" MEANS AN INNOVATIVE MODEL
3 OF COMMUNITY-BASED CARE THAT ENABLES ELDERLY INDIVIDUALS, WHO ARE
4 CERTIFIED AS NEEDING NURSING FACILITY CARE, TO LIVE AS
5 INDEPENDENTLY AS POSSIBLE.

6 (2) A PROSPECTIVE PACE ORGANIZATION CAN BE A NOT-FOR-PROFIT,
7 FOR-PROFIT, OR PUBLIC ENTITY THAT IS PRIMARILY ENGAGED IN PROVIDING
8 PACE SERVICES AND PARTICIPATES IN BOTH MEDICARE AND MEDICAID.
9 MICHIGAN LICENSURE AS A HEALTH CARE ENTITY IS NOT REQUIRED. AN

1 UNLICENSED PACE ENTITY MAY SERVE ANY ELIGIBLE ENROLLEE. A
2 PROSPECTIVE PACE ENTITY MUST MEET THE FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR A
3 PACE ORGANIZATION, ENROLL AS A MICHIGAN MEDICAID PROVIDER, AND
4 COMPLETE A FEASIBILITY STUDY.

5 (3) A PROSPECTIVE PACE ORGANIZATION MUST SUBMIT BOTH OF THE
6 FOLLOWING TO THE DEPARTMENT:

7 (A) NOT LATER THAN 90 CALENDAR DAYS AFTER SUBMITTING A LETTER
8 OF INTENT, A FEASIBILITY STUDY.

9 (B) NOT LATER THAN 1 YEAR AFTER THE DEPARTMENT APPROVES THE
10 FEASIBILITY STUDY, A PROVIDER APPLICATION.

11 (4) WHEN SUBMITTING A LETTER OF INTENT, A PROSPECTIVE PACE
12 ENTITY MUST STATE IN THE APPLICATION THE SERVICE AREA PROPOSED FOR
13 THE PACE PROGRAM. THE DEPARTMENT MUST EXCLUDE FROM DESIGNATION AN
14 AREA THAT IS ALREADY COVERED UNDER ANOTHER PACE PROGRAM AGREEMENT
15 TO AVOID UNNECESSARY DUPLICATION OF SERVICES AND TO AVOID IMPAIRING
16 THE FINANCIAL AND SERVICE VIABILITY OF AN EXISTING PACE PROGRAM.

17 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
18 after the date it is enacted into law.