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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4313 AS INTRODUCED 2-28-89

The bill would amend the Older Michiganians Act to require the Office of Services to the Aging (OSA) to establish an educational program on health services in cooperation with the Departments of Public Health, Social Services, and Mental Health, and the Insurance Bureau. The program would:

-- provide information on how to qualify and apply for Medicaid benefits;

-- provide information on Medicaid and Medicare coverage and benefits;

-- provide information on supplemental insurance coverages, especially Medicare supplemental coverage, long-term care coverage, and expense-incurred policies.

-- disseminate the above information by mailings, including mailings in conjunction with legislative mailings, utility mailings, employer payroll mailings, and other business mailings; literature drops, including placement in libraries, supermarkets, and other public places; and direct door-to-door literature placement, including dissemination in conjunction with candidate campaign literature.

OSA would also be required to provide an annual report on the program's scope and effect to the House and Senate standing committees that had jurisdiction over senior citizens and retirement issues. The first report would be due January 1, 1990.

The bill would take effect January 1, 1990.

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