HOUSE BILL No. 6082

September 25, 1990, Introduced by Reps. Dunaskiss, Bennane and Pridnia and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

A bill to amend section 21053 of Act No. 368 of the Public Acts of 1978, entitled as amended

"Public health code,"

as amended by Act No. 249 of the Public Acts of 1987, being section 333.21053 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Section 1. Section 21053 of Act No. 368 of the Public Acts
- 2 of 1978, as amended by Act No. 249 of the Public Acts of 1987,
- 3 being section 333.21053 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is amended
- 4 to read as follows:
- 5 Sec. 21053. (1) Upon obtaining a license, a health mainte-
- 6 nance organization may enter into health maintenance contracts
- 7 and engage in other activities consistent with this part and
- 8 other applicable laws of this state which are necessary to
- 9 perform its obligations under its contracts.

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- 1 (2) A health maintenance organization shall not terminate a
- 2 health maintenance contract or deny a renewal of a contract
- 3 because of age, sex, health status, national origin, or frequency
- 4 of utilization of medically indicated services of an enrollee or
- 5 group of enrollees.
- 6 (3) A health maintenance contract may be terminated for vio-
- 7 lation of the terms of the contract or for nonpayment of the
- 8 fixed prepaid sum or per capita prepayment set forth in the con-
- 9 tract if the fixed prepaid sum or per capita prepayment is not
- 10 paid within 30 days after the due date.
- 11 (4) A health maintenance organization may contract with or
- 12 directly engage health professionals and affiliated providers,
- 13 including other health maintenance organizations, to render the
- 14 services the organization has agreed to provide under the terms
- 15 of its health maintenance contracts. An affiliated provider
- 16 shall look solely to the health maintenance organization for pay-
- 17 ment of services rendered pursuant to a contract with the health
- 18 maintenance organization. In meeting the requirements of
- 19 section 21021, the health maintenance organization may contract
- 20 with or employ health professionals on the basis of cost, quali-
- 21 ty, availability of services to the membership, conformity to the
- 22 administrative procedures of the health maintenance organization,
- 23 and other factors relevant to delivery of economical, quality
- 24 care, but shall not discriminate solely on the basis of the class
- 25 of health professionals to which the health professional
- 26 belongs.

- 1 (5) A health maintenance organization may provide additional
- 2 health maintenance services or any other related health care
- 3 service or treatment not required under this part.
- 4 (6) A health maintenance organization may have health main-
- 5 tenance contracts that are supplemented by deductibles or addi-
- 6 tional nominal payments which are required for the provision of
- 7 specific health maintenance services, except that the payments
- 8 shall not exceed 50% of a reasonable charge for providing a
- 9 single service to an enrollee as determined by comparison to the
- 10 amount charged for that service by other providers in the geo-
- 11 graphic service area.
- 12 (7) A health maintenance organization may accept from gov-
- 13 ernmental agencies and from private persons payments covering any
- 14 part of the cost of health maintenance contracts.
- 15 (8) The health maintenance organization may provide services
- 16 in a noncontiguous service area if the department, with the
- 17 advice of the insurance bureau, finds that the requirements of
- 18 this article are met and that its subscriber governing body elec-
- 19 tion procedures provide for proportional subscriber representa-
- 20 tion on the governing board from each noncontiguous service area
- 21 with each noncontiguous service area having at least 1
- 22 representative.
- 23 (9) A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION SHALL NOT LIMIT OR
- 24 DENY COVERAGE TO AN ENROLLEE OR DENY REIMBURSEMENT TO A HEALTH
- 25 CARE FACILITY ON THE GROUND THAT SERVICES WERE RENDERED BY A
- 26 HEALTH CARE FACILITY THAT WAS NOT ACCREDITED BY THE JOINT
- 27 COMMISSION ON ACCREDITATION OF HOSPITALS.