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**HEALTH INS. ADVICE FOR SENIORS**

**House Bill 4818**

**Sponsor: Rep. Sal Rocca**

**Committee: Senior Citizens  
and Retirement**

**Complete to 8-1-91**

**A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4818 INTRODUCED 5-14-91**

The bill would amend the Older Michiganians Act to require that a Senior Citizen Health Insurance Advisor Unit be created within the Office of Services to the Aging. Under the bill, the unit would be required to do all of the following:

--Establish local senior citizen health insurance advisor units in area agencies on aging.

--Recruit volunteers to serve as educators and insurance information resource persons for senior citizens (defined under the bill as residents who are at least 60 years of age, together with their spouses, regardless of age).

--Provide at least 25 hours of initial training for volunteers in the basics of disability insurance, with a focus on Medicare, Medicare supplement coverage, long-term care coverage, and consumer protection.

--Provide training programs and information for volunteers, as needed, to supplement the initial training program.

--Seek available federal funds.

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