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CHIROPRACTOR ON BLUES BOARD

House Bill 4949

Sponsor: Rep. Mike Green

Committee: Insurance

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4949 AS INTRODUCED 6-13-95

The bill would amend the Nonprofit Health Care Corporation Reform Act, which regulates Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Michigan, to require that one of the health care provider representatives on the corporation's board of directors be a licensed chiropractor to serve as a representative of chiropractors.

(The act calls for a board of not more than 35 members, up to 25 percent of whom can be provider directors. The act specifies that there must be physician and hospital provider directors, at least one registered professional nurse to represent nurses, and at least one provider director to represent providers whose services in 1984 [or in the year following its incorporation for any new such corporation] "generated the largest number of benefit claims received by the corporation from its subscribers." The board also must contain four public members appointed by the governor, including two retirees; and representatives of large, medium, and small subscriber groups, and of nongroup subscribers, in proportions that represent the subscriber population. However, at least three board members must represent nongroup subscribers, including one retiree, and there must be at least three small group representatives. Among the large and medium group representatives, there must be equal representation for labor and management representatives, who are to be categorized as such.)

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