

SUBSTITUTE FOR  
HOUSE BILL NO. 4125

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled  
"Public health code,"  
by amending sections 10102 and 10104 (MCL 333.10102 and  
333.10104).

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1       Sec. 10102. (1) An individual of sound mind and 18 years of  
2 age or more may ~~give~~ **make a gift of** all or ~~any~~ **a** physical  
3 part of ~~the individual's~~ **his or her** body for ~~any~~ **a** purpose  
4 specified in section 10103, ~~the gift to take effect~~ **effective**  
5 upon **that individual's** death.  
6       (2) ~~Any of the following persons, in order of priority~~  
7 ~~stated, when persons in prior classes are not available at the~~  
8 ~~time of death, and in the absence of actual notice of contrary~~  
9 ~~indications by the decedent or actual notice of opposition by a~~  
10 ~~member of the same or a prior class,~~ **Upon or immediately before**

1 the death of an individual who has not made a gift of all or a  
2 physical part of his or her body under this part, an individual  
3 having the following relationship to that individual may, ~~give~~  
4 in the following order of priority and subject to subsection (3),  
5 make a gift of all or ~~any~~ a physical part of ~~the decedent's~~  
6 the deceased individual's body for ~~any~~ a purpose specified in  
7 section 10103:

8 (a) A patient advocate designated under section 5506 of the  
9 estates and protected individuals code, 1998 PA 386,  
10 MCL 700.5506, who is authorized to make such a gift.

11 (b) ~~(a)~~ The spouse.

12 (c) ~~(b)~~ An adult son or daughter.

13 (d) ~~(c)~~ Either parent.

14 (e) ~~(d)~~ An adult brother or sister.

15 (f) ~~(e)~~ A guardian of the person of the decedent at the  
16 time of the death.

17 (g) ~~(f) Any other person~~ An individual other than an  
18 individual described in subdivisions (a) to (f), who is  
19 authorized or under obligation to dispose of the body.

20 (3) An individual described in subsection (2) may make a gift  
21 of all or a physical part of a decedent's body in accordance with  
22 this part if each of the following circumstances exists:

23 (a) An individual having a higher priority under subsection  
24 (2) to make the gift is not available or is not capable of making  
25 the decision at the time of the decedent's death.

26 (b) The individual making the gift has not received actual  
27 notice that the decedent had expressed an unwillingness to make

1 the gift.

2 (c) The individual making the gift has not received actual  
3 notice that an individual having equal or greater priority under  
4 subsection (2) opposes the making of the gift.

5 (4) A gift made by an individual described in subsection (2)  
6 is not revocable by an individual having a lower priority under  
7 subsection (2).

8 (5) ~~-(3)-~~ If the donee has actual notice ~~of contrary~~  
9 ~~indications by~~ that the decedent **had expressed an unwillingness**  
10 **to make the gift,** or actual notice that ~~a gift by a member of a~~  
11 ~~class is opposed by a member of the same or a prior class, the~~  
12 ~~donee~~ an individual having a higher priority under subsection  
13 (2) than that of the individual making the gift under  
14 subsection (2) opposes the making of the gift, the donee shall  
15 not accept the gift. ~~The persons authorized by subsection (2)~~  
16 ~~may make the gift after or immediately before death.~~

17 (6) ~~-(4)-~~ A gift of all or a physical part of a body **under**  
18 **this section** authorizes any examination necessary to assure  
19 medical acceptability of the gift for the purposes intended.

20 (7) ~~-(5)-~~ The rights of the donee created by the gift are  
21 paramount to the rights of others except as provided by section  
22 10108(4).

23 Sec. 10104. (1) A gift of all or a physical part of the  
24 **donor's** body under section 10102(1) may be made by will. The  
25 gift becomes effective upon the death of the testator without  
26 waiting for probate. If the will is not probated, or if ~~it~~ **the**  
27 **will** is declared invalid for testamentary purposes, the gift, to

1 the extent that ~~it~~ **the gift** has been acted upon in good faith,  
2 is nevertheless valid and effective.

3 (2) A gift of all or a physical part of the **donor's** body  
4 under section 10102(1) may also be made by document **of gift** other  
5 than a will. ~~The~~ **A gift made by a document of gift described**  
6 **in this subsection** becomes effective upon the death of the  
7 donor. ~~The document, which may be a card designed to be carried~~  
8 ~~on the person, shall be signed by the donor in the presence of 2~~  
9 ~~witnesses who shall sign the document in the donor's presence.~~  
10 ~~If the donor cannot sign, the document may be signed for the~~  
11 ~~donor at his or her direction and in his or her presence in the~~  
12 ~~presence of 2 witnesses who shall sign the document in the~~  
13 ~~donor's presence. Delivery of the document of gift during the~~  
14 ~~donor's lifetime is not necessary to make the gift valid.~~  
15 Subject to subsections (3) and (4), a document of gift other than  
16 a will may be 1 or more of the following:

17 (a) A personal identification card issued to the donor by the  
18 secretary of state under 1972 PA 222, MCL 28.291 to 28.300, that  
19 contains a statement that the holder of the personal  
20 identification card is an organ and tissue donor under this part,  
21 along with the signature of the holder and the signature of at  
22 least 1 witness to the holder's signature, as described in  
23 section 2 of 1972 PA 222, MCL 28.292.

24 (b) A motor vehicle operator's or chauffeur's license issued  
25 to the donor by the secretary of state under the Michigan vehicle  
26 code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.1 to 257.923, that contains a  
27 statement that the licensee is an organ and tissue donor under

1 this part, along with the signature of the licensee and the  
 2 signature of at least 1 witness to the licensee's signature, as  
 3 described in section 310 of the Michigan vehicle code, 1949  
 4 PA 300, MCL 257.310.

5 (c) A document ~~which~~ of gift that conforms substantially to  
 6 the following form: ~~is sufficient for the purposes of this~~  
 7 ~~subsection:~~

8 Uniform Donor Card

9 of.....

10 Print or type name of donor

11 In the hope that I may help others, I hereby make this anatomical  
 12 gift if medically acceptable, to take effect upon my death. The  
 13 words and marks below indicate my desires.

14 I give: (a) ..... any needed organs or physical parts

15 (b) ..... only the following organs or physical parts

16  
 17 Specify the organ(s) or physical part(s)

18 For the purposes of transplantation, therapy, medical research or  
 19 education;

20 (c) ..... my body for anatomical study if needed.

21 Limitations or special wishes, if any: \_\_\_\_\_

22 Signed by the donor and ~~the following 2 witnesses~~ at least 1  
 23 witness, in the presence of each other:

24  
 25 \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth of donor

26  
 27 \_\_\_\_\_ City and state

28  
 29 \_\_\_\_\_ Witness

30  
 31 \_\_\_\_\_ Witness

32  
 33 \_\_\_\_\_

34  
 35 \_\_\_\_\_

36 (3) If a donor does not specify a gift of his or her entire  
 body in the statement described in subsection (2)(a) or (b) on  
 the individual's personal identification card or motor vehicle  
 operator's or chauffeur's license, the gift is limited to  
 physical parts of the donor's body and does not include the  
 donor's entire body.

(4) ~~(3)~~ The A gift under section 10102 may be made to a

1 specified **or unspecified** donee. ~~or without specifying a donee.~~  
 2 If the ~~latter~~ **donee is not specified**, ~~the gift may be accepted~~  
 3 ~~by~~ the attending physician **may accept the gift** as donee upon or  
 4 following **the donor's** death. If the gift is made to a specified  
 5 donee who is not available at the time and place of death, the  
 6 attending physician **may**, upon or following **the donor's** death, **and**  
 7 in the absence of any expressed indication that the donor desired  
 8 otherwise, ~~may~~ accept the gift as donee. ~~The~~ **An attending**  
 9 physician who becomes a donee under this subsection shall not  
 10 participate in the procedures for removing or transplanting a  
 11 physical part.

12 (5) ~~(4)~~ Notwithstanding section 10108(4), the donor may  
 13 designate in his or her will ~~—, card,~~ or other document of gift  
 14 **described in subsection (2)** the ~~surgeon or~~ physician **who is** to  
 15 carry out the ~~appropriate~~ procedures **necessary to effectuate**  
 16 **the gift**. In the absence of a designation **under this subsection**  
 17 or if the designee is not available, the donee or other person  
 18 authorized to accept the gift may employ or authorize ~~any~~  
 19 ~~surgeon or~~ **another** physician for the purpose **of effectuating the**  
 20 **gift**.

21 (6) A donor who is unable to sign a document of gift may  
 22 direct another individual to sign the document of gift on his or  
 23 her behalf if the signature of the other individual is made in  
 24 the donor's presence and in the presence of at least 1 witness.  
 25 The witness shall also sign the document of gift in the donor's  
 26 presence.

27 (7) A gift of all or a physical part of a donor's body made

1 by will as authorized by subsection (1) or by a document of gift  
2 other than a will as authorized by subsection (2) is not  
3 revocable after the death of the donor.

4       (8) ~~-(5)- Any~~ A gift by ~~a person~~ **an individual** designated  
5 in section 10102(2) shall be made by a document signed by the  
6 ~~person~~ **individual** or made by the ~~person's~~ **individual's**  
7 telegraphic, **electronic**, recorded telephonic, or other recorded  
8 message.

9       (9) ~~-(6)-~~ A document of gift executed in another state or  
10 foreign country and in accord with the laws of that state or  
11 country is valid as a document of gift in this state, ~~although~~  
12 **even if** the document does not conform substantially to the form  
13 set forth in subsection ~~-(2)-~~ **(2)(c)**.

14       Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take  
15 effect unless House Bill No. 4126 of the 92nd Legislature is  
16 enacted into law.