SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 4766

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code,"

(MCL 333.1101 to 333.25211) by adding sections 21335 and 21735.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 21335. (1) Except as provided under subsection (2), a
- 2 home for the aged seeking a license or a renewal of a license
- 3 under this article shall have, at a minimum, an emergency
- 4 generator system that during an interruption of the normal
- 5 electrical supply is capable of both of the following:
- 6 (a) Providing not less than 4 hours of service.
- 7 (b) Generating enough power to provide lighting at all
- 8 entrances and exits and to operate equipment to maintain fire
- 9 detection, alarm, and extinguishing systems, telephone
- 10 switchboards, heating plant controls, and other critical
- 11 mechanical equipment essential to the safety and welfare of the

- 1 residents, personnel, and visitors.
- 2 (2) A home for the aged that is licensed under this article
- 3 on the effective date of the amendatory act that added this
- 4 section is not required to comply with subsection (1) until that
- 5 home for the aged undergoes any major building modification. As
- 6 used in this section, "major building modification" means an
- 7 alteration of walls that creates a new architectural
- 8 configuration or revision to the mechanical or electrical systems
- 9 that significantly revises the design of the system or systems.
- 10 Major building modification does not include normal building
- 11 maintenance, repair, or replacement with equivalent components or
- 12 a change in room function.
- 13 (3) A home for the aged that is exempt from compliance under
- 14 subsection (2) shall notify the local medical control authority
- 15 and the local law enforcement agency that it does not have an
- 16 emergency generator on site.
- 17 (4) A home for the aged that fails to comply with this
- 18 section is subject to a civil penalty of not more than \$2,000.00
- 19 for each violation. Each day a violation continues is a separate
- 20 offense and shall be assessed a civil penalty of not less than
- 21 \$500.00 for each day during which the failure continues.
- 22 Sec. 21735. (1) A nursing home licensed under this article
- 23 shall have, at a minimum, an emergency generator system that
- 24 complies with existing state and federal law, including state and
- 25 federal rules and regulations.
- 26 (2) A nursing home that fails to comply with this section is
- 27 subject to a civil penalty as provided under existing state and

- 1 federal law, including state and federal rules and regulations.
- Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 6 2
- 3 months after the date this amendatory act is enacted.