SUBSTITUTE FOR

HOUSE BILL NO. 6245

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

(MCL 333.1101 to 333.25211) by adding section 21571.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 21571. (1) To be a rural hospital and qualify as an
- 2 eligible hospital under the federal medicare rural hospital
- 3 flexibility program, 42 USC 1395i-4, a hospital not located
- 4 outside of a metropolitan statistical area as defined in 42 USC
- 5 1395ww shall be located in a city, village, or township with a
- 6 population of no more than 10,000 and in a county with a
- 7 population of no more than 110,000. Population is to be
- 8 determined according to the official 2000 federal decennial
- 9 census.
- 10 (2) A hospital that is determined to be a rural hospital
- 11 under this section may be designated by the department as a

- 1 critical provider to satisfy the eligibility requirements for
- 2 certification as a critical access hospital.
- 3 (3) As used in this section, "rural hospital" means a
- 4 hospital that is located outside of a metropolitan statistical
- 5 area as defined in 42 USC 1395ww or that satisfies the criteria
- 6 established under subsection (1).