SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 1216

A bill to amend 1974 PA 258, entitled "Mental health code,"
by amending section 137 (MCL 330.1137), as amended by 1995 PA 290.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 137. (1) A person shall not construct, establish, or
- 2 maintain a psychiatric hospital, psychiatric unit, or psychiatric
- 3 partial hospitalization program or use the terms psychiatric
- 4 hospital, psychiatric unit, or psychiatric partial
- 5 hospitalization program, without first obtaining a license. The
- 6 director shall require an applicant or a licensee to disclose the
- 7 names, addresses, and official positions of all persons who have
- 8 an ownership interest in a psychiatric hospital, psychiatric
- 9 unit, or psychiatric partial hospitalization program. If the
- 10 psychiatric hospital, psychiatric unit, or psychiatric partial

- 1 hospitalization program is located on or in real estate -which
- 2 that is leased, the applicant or licensee shall disclose the name
- 3 of the lessor and any direct or indirect interest that the
- 4 applicant or licensee has in the lease other than as lessee. A
- 5 nontransferable license shall be granted for 2 years after the
- 6 date of issuance, unless otherwise provided in sections 134 to
- 7 150. The director may issue a provisional license for 1 year to
- 8 provide a licensee or applicant time to undertake remedial action
- 9 to correct programmatic or physical plant deficiencies. A
- 10 provisional license may be renewed for -no- not longer than 1
- 11 additional year. A violation of this section is a misdemeanor
- 12 and -shall be is punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000.00
- 13 for each violation.
- 14 (2) Biennial licensure of psychiatric hospitals, psychiatric
- 15 units, and psychiatric partial hospitalization programs shall be
- 16 implemented within 1 year after the effective date of the
- 17 amendatory act that added sections 100a to 100d by March 28,
- 18 1997. License fees shall be prorated according to the period of
- 19 time that the license will be in force.
- 20 (3) Beginning the effective date of the amendatory act that
- 21 added this subsection, the department shall issue an initial
- 22 license under this section not later than 6 months after the
- 23 applicant files a completed application. Receipt of the
- 24 application is considered the date the application is received by
- 25 any agency or department of this state. If the application is
- 26 considered incomplete by the department, the department shall
- 27 notify the applicant in writing or make notice electronically

- 1 available within 30 days after receipt of the incomplete
- 2 application, describing the deficiency and requesting additional
- 3 information. The 6-month period is tolled upon notification by
- 4 the department of a deficiency until the date the requested
- 5 information is received by the department. The determination of
- 6 the completeness of an application is not an approval of the
- 7 application for the license and does not confer eligibility on an
- 8 applicant determined otherwise ineligible for issuance of a
- 9 license.
- 10 (4) If the department fails to issue or deny a license or
- 11 registration within the time required by this section, the
- 12 department shall return the license fee and shall reduce the
- 13 license fee for the applicant's next renewal application, if any,
- 14 by 15%. Failure to issue or deny a license within the time
- 15 period required under this section does not allow the department
- 16 to otherwise delay the processing of the application. A
- 17 completed application shall be placed in sequence with other
- 18 completed applications received at that same time. The
- 19 department shall not discriminate against an applicant in the
- 20 processing of the application based on the fact that the
- 21 application fee was refunded or discounted under this
- 22 subsection.
- 23 (5) Beginning October 1, 2005, the director of the department
- 24 shall submit a report by December 1 of each year to the standing
- 25 committees and appropriations subcommittees of the senate and
- 26 house of representatives concerned with issues relating to mental
- 27 health. The director shall include all of the following

- 1 information in the report concerning the preceding fiscal year:
- 2 (a) The number of initial applications the department
- 3 received and completed within the 6-month time period described
- 4 in subsection (3).
- 5 (b) The number of applications rejected.
- 6 (c) The number of applicants not issued a license within the
- 7 6-month time period and the amount of money returned to licensees
- 8 under subsection (4).
- 9 (6) As used in this section, "completed application" means an
- 10 application complete on its face and submitted with any
- 11 applicable licensing fees as well as any other information,
- 12 records, approval, security, or similar item required by law or
- 13 rule from a local unit of government, a federal agency, or a
- 14 private entity but not from another department or agency of this
- 15 state.