

# HOUSE BILL No. 4961

July 16, 2003, Introduced by Rep. Spade and referred to the Committee on Insurance.

A bill to amend 1939 PA 280, entitled  
"The social welfare act,"  
(MCL 400.1 to 400.119b) by adding section 109h.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1       Sec. 109h. (1) Beginning January 1, 2004, the department of  
2 community health shall provide coverage for low-protein modified  
3 food products subject to both of the following:

4       (a) The low-protein modified food products are prescribed for  
5 the therapeutic treatment of amino acid disorders.

6       (b) The low-protein modified food products are administered  
7 under the direction of a physician.

8       (2) Coverage under this section shall not have deductibles  
9 and copayment provisions that are less favorable than those for  
10 prescription coverage generally. Coverage under this section may  
11 be limited to a cap of \$4,000.00 per plan year on low-protein

1 modified food products. This \$4,000.00 cap shall be adjusted  
2 annually by the department of community health pursuant to the  
3 consumer price index.

4 (3) As used in this section:

5 (a) "Consumer price index" means the percentage of change in  
6 the consumer price index for all urban consumers in the United  
7 States city average for all items for the prior 12-month period  
8 as reported by the United States department of labor, bureau of  
9 labor statistics, and as certified by the commissioner.

10 (b) "Low-protein modified food product" means a food product  
11 that is specially formulated to have less than 1 gram of protein  
12 per serving. Low-protein modified food product does not include  
13 a natural food that is naturally low in protein.