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Senate Bill 728 (as introduced 9-6-05)
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CONTENT

The bill would amend Part 92 (Immunization) of the Public Health Code to do the following:

- Change the name of the Childhood Immunization Registry to the Michigan Care Improvement Registry, beginning on the bill's effective date.**
- Require the Department of Community Health (DCH) to promulgate rules to implement the expansion of the Registry.**
- Allow the DCH to use the information in the Registry as authorized by rule.**

The Code required the DCH to establish the Registry to record information regarding immunizations performed under Part 92. The DCH must record in the Registry the information it receives under Sections 2821 and 9206 of the Code.

(Section 2821 requires birth registration for each individual born in Michigan. Under that section, a record of each live birth must be filed at the office of the local registrar within five days after the birth. The birth must be registered when the filing is completed. Upon receiving a birth registration transmitted by a local registrar under the Code, the State Registrar must transmit the information to the Registry.

Under Section 9206, a health care provider administering an immunizing agent to a child must present the person accompanying the child with a certificate of immunization. The certificate must indicate the diseases or infections for which the child has been immunized, the number of doses given, the dates when administered, and whether further immunizations are indicated. The provider must report to the DCH each immunization administered, unless the child's parent, guardian, or person in loco parentis objects in writing to the reporting requirement.)

Currently, the DCH may use the information in the Registry only for immunization purposes. Under the bill, the DCH also could use the information as otherwise authorized by rule. The bill would eliminate a requirement that the DCH delete information in the Registry pertaining to an individual child immediately when the child reaches the age of 20.

The bill would require the DCH to promulgate rules to implement the Registry's expansion to include the reporting and recording of additional information, such as lead screening performed on children.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill could lead to a small increase in administrative cost associated with the creation and distribution of the rules mandated by the bill.

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