

HOUSE BILL No. 5816

March 2, 2006, Introduced by Reps. Pavlov, Sheltroun, Gaffney, Vander Veen, Emmons and Acciavatti and referred to the Committee on Insurance.

A bill to amend 1980 PA 350, entitled
"The nonprofit health care corporation reform act,"
(MCL 550.1101 to 550.1704) by adding section 409a.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 SEC. 409A. (1) ANY CERTIFICATE DELIVERED, ISSUED FOR DELIVERY,
2 OR RENEWED IN THIS STATE THAT PROVIDES FOR COVERAGE FOR DEPENDENT
3 CHILDREN WHO ARE FULL-TIME OR PART-TIME STUDENTS SHALL CONTINUE
4 COVERAGE FOR THAT DEPENDENT STUDENT IF THE DEPENDENT STUDENT IS
5 COVERED UNDER THAT CERTIFICATE AND TAKES A LEAVE OF ABSENCE FROM
6 SCHOOL DUE TO ILLNESS OR INJURY. COVERAGE UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL
7 CONTINUE FOR 12 MONTHS FROM THE LAST DAY OF ATTENDANCE IN SCHOOL OR
8 UNTIL THE DEPENDENT REACHES THE AGE AT WHICH COVERAGE WOULD
9 OTHERWISE TERMINATE, WHICHEVER PERIOD IS SHORTER.

1 (2) TO QUALIFY FOR COVERAGE UNDER THIS SECTION, THE DEPENDENT
2 STUDENT'S ATTENDING PHYSICIAN SHALL CERTIFY IN WRITING TO THE
3 HEALTH CARE CORPORATION THAT IT IS MEDICALLY NECESSARY FOR THE
4 DEPENDENT STUDENT TO TAKE A LEAVE OF ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL.

5 (3) COVERAGE UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE PROVIDED AT THE SAME
6 RATE AS THAT CHARGED WHILE THE DEPENDENT IS ENROLLED AS A STUDENT.

7 (4) A DEPENDENT CHILD MUST CONTINUE TO MEET ALL OTHER
8 ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR DEPENDENT COVERAGE IN THE HEALTH CARE
9 CORPORATION'S CERTIFICATE OR RIDER IF THE DEPENDENT CHILD TAKES A
10 LEAVE OF ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL DUE TO ILLNESS OR INJURY.

11 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect January
12 1, 2007.