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Introduced by Reps. Pavlov, Sheltroun, Gaffney, Vander Veen, Emmons and Acciavatti

ENROLLED HOUSE BILL No. 5816

AN ACT to amend 1980 PA 350, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of nonprofit health care corporations; to provide their rights, powers, and immunities; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state officers relative to the exercise of those rights, powers, and immunities; to prescribe certain conditions for the transaction of business by those corporations in this state; to define the relationship of health care providers to nonprofit health care corporations and to specify their rights, powers, and immunities with respect thereto; to provide for a Michigan caring program; to provide for the regulation and supervision of nonprofit health care corporations by the commissioner of insurance; to prescribe powers and duties of certain other state officers with respect to the regulation and supervision of nonprofit health care corporations; to provide for the imposition of a regulatory fee; to regulate the merger or consolidation of certain corporations; to prescribe an expeditious and effective procedure for the maintenance and conduct of certain administrative appeals relative to provider class plans; to provide for certain administrative hearings relative to rates for health care benefits; to provide for certain causes of action; to prescribe penalties and to provide civil fines for violations of this act; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts," (MCL 550.1101 to 550.1704) by adding section 409a.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

Sec. 409a. (1) Any certificate delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed in this state that provides for coverage for dependent children who are full-time or part-time students shall continue coverage for that dependent student if the dependent student is covered under that certificate and takes a leave of absence from school due to illness or injury. Coverage under this section shall continue for 12 months from the last day of attendance in school or until the dependent reaches the age at which coverage would otherwise terminate, whichever period is shorter.

(2) To qualify for coverage under this section, the dependent student's attending physician shall certify in writing to the health care corporation that it is medically necessary for the dependent student to take a leave of absence from school.

(3) Coverage under this section shall be provided at the same rate as that charged for dependent student status.

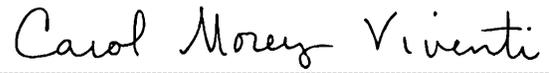
(4) A dependent child must continue to meet all other eligibility requirements for dependent coverage in the health care corporation's certificate or rider if the dependent child takes a leave of absence from school due to illness or injury.

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

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.



Clerk of the House of Representatives



Secretary of the Senate

Approved

Governor