

# HOUSE BILL No. 5772

February 19, 2008, Introduced by Reps. Wenke, Brandenburg, Pastor, Ward, Palmer, Sheen, Acciavatti and Hoogendyk and referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

A bill to limit a public employer's portion of the cost of health insurance benefits; and to provide for exceptions.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1           Sec. 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the  
2 "public employer health insurance contribution act".

3           Sec. 3. As used in this act:

4           (a) "Health insurance" means employee medical, dental, or  
5 optical benefits.

6           (b) "Public employer" means the state; a county, township,  
7 village, city, school district, or other political subdivision of  
8 the state; an authority; a public institution of higher education;  
9 or any other entity jointly created by 2 or more public employers.

1           Sec. 5. Except as provided in section 7, a public employer  
2 that offers health insurance to its employees shall pay no more  
3 than 75% of the premium or other cost of those benefits.

4           Sec. 7. If a collective bargaining agreement that is  
5 inconsistent with section 5 is in effect for a group of employees  
6 of a public employer on the effective date of this act, the  
7 requirements of section 5 do not apply to that group of employees  
8 until the collective bargaining agreement expires. The requirements  
9 of section 5 apply to any extension or renewal of the agreement.

10          Sec. 9. The requirements of section 5 apply to all public  
11 employees to the greatest extent consistent with constitutionally  
12 allocated powers.

13          Enacting section 1. This act takes effect January 1, 2009.