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SENATE BILL No. 1262

April 17, 2008, Introduced by Senators GARCIA, GLEASON, CROPSEY and PRUSI and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

A bill to amend 1846 RS 171, entitled "Of county jails and the regulation thereof," by amending sections 4 and 4a (MCL 801.4 and 801.4a), as amended by 2006 PA 20.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 4. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) THIS SECTION

- and sections 5 and 5a, all charges and expenses of safekeeping and maintaining prisoners and persons charged with an offense, shall be paid from the county treasury, the accounts therefor being first
- 5 settled and allowed by the county board of commissioners.
- 6 (2) IF MEDICAL CARE OR TREATMENT IS PROVIDED TO AN INDIVIDUAL
 - DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1) WHILE THAT INDIVIDUAL IS IN THE
 - PHYSICAL CUSTODY OF A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY OR THE STATE

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- 1 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS, THE COST OF THAT MEDICAL CARE OR
- 2 TREATMENT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY OR
- 3 DEPARTMENT THAT HAS PHYSICAL CUSTODY OF THE INDIVIDUAL WHEN THE
- 4 COST IS INCURRED.
- 5 (3) (2)—If medical care or treatment is provided to an
- 6 individual described in subsection (1), the health care provider
- 7 shall make a reasonable effort to determine whether that individual
- 8 is covered by a health care policy, a certificate of insurance, or
- 9 other source for the payment of medical expenses. If the county
- 10 sheriff who has custody over the individual is aware that the
- 11 individual is covered by any health care policy, certificate of
- 12 insurance, or other source of payment, the sheriff shall provide
- 13 that information to the health care provider. If the health care
- 14 provider determines that the individual, at the time of admission
- 15 or treatment, is a medicaid recipient or a beneficiary of any
- 16 health care policy, certificate of insurance, or other source for
- 17 the payment of some or all of those expenses, the health care
- 18 provider shall first seek reimbursement from that source, subject
- 19 to the terms and conditions of the applicable health care policy,
- 20 certificate of insurance, or medicaid contract, before submitting
- 21 those expenses to the county. When submitting an invoice to the
- 22 county for the payment of medical expenses under this section, a
- 23 health care provider shall provide a statement that the health care
- 24 provider has made a reasonable effort to determine whether the
- 25 individual was covered by a health care policy, certificate of
- 26 insurance, or other source for the payment of medical expenses. A
- 27 county may enter into agreements with health care providers to

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- 1 establish procedures for the submission of invoices for medical
- 2 expenses under this section and the payment of those invoices.
- 3 Sec. 4a. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2)—THIS SECTION
- 4 and sections 5 and 5a, all charges and expenses of safekeeping and
- 5 maintaining persons in the county jail charged with violations of
- 6 city, village, or township ordinances shall be paid from the county
- 7 treasury if a district court of the first or second class has
- 8 jurisdiction of the offense.
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