

# HOUSE BILL No. 4181

February 5, 2009, Introduced by Reps. Denby, Kowall, Rogers, Opsommer, Wayne Schmidt, Walsh, Crawford, Moss and Rick Jones and referred to the Committee on Health Policy.

A bill to provide for the creation and operation of a program to allow public employers to participate in the state health plan; and to prescribe powers and duties of certain state officers and agencies.

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

1           Sec. 1. As used in this act:

2           (a) "Commission" means the civil service commission.

3           (b) "Public employer" means a city, village, township, county,  
4 or other political subdivision of this state; any  
5 intergovernmental, metropolitan, or local department, agency, or  
6 authority, or other local political subdivision; a school district,  
7 a public school academy, or an intermediate school district, as  
8 those terms are defined in the revised school code, 1976 PA 451,

1 MCL 380.1 to 380.1852; a community college or junior college  
2 described in section 7 of article VIII of the state constitution of  
3 1963; or an institution of higher education described in section 4  
4 of article VIII of the state constitution of 1963.

5 (c) "State health plan" means a benefit plan for providing  
6 medical, optical, or dental benefits to employees or their  
7 dependents that this state offers to a nonexclusively represented  
8 employee in the classified state civil service.

9 Sec. 2. (1) The commission shall create and operate a program  
10 to allow a public employer to participate in a state health plan by  
11 purchasing the state health plan benefits for its employees.

12 (2) The program shall provide that the public employer shall  
13 pay the full cost to the state of the state health plan coverage  
14 not later than the first day of the month for which coverage is  
15 sought or as otherwise determined by the commission.