

# HOUSE BILL No. 5624

December 1, 2009, Introduced by Reps. Agema, Moss, Tyler, Haines, Meltzer, McMillin, Daley, Lori, Walsh, Green, Hildenbrand, Elsenheimer, Denby, Kowall, Lund, Ball, DeShazor, Amash, Meekhof, Knollenberg, Pearce and Schuitmaker and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to require certain conditions on health benefits that public employers offer to their employees and elected officials.

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

1           Sec. 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the  
2 "health benefit cost sharing act".

3           Sec. 2. As used in this act:

4           (a) "Health benefits" means medical, dental, or vision health  
5 care coverage.

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

1 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.1 to 380.1852.

2       Sec. 3. (1) If a public employer offers health benefits to its  
3 employees or elected officials, each employee or elected official  
4 shall pay a percentage of the premium cost of the health benefits  
5 that equals or exceeds 15%.

6       (2) Health benefit copayments, deductibles, or coinsurance  
7 payments are in addition to, and not included in, the share of the  
8 cost of health benefits required under subsection (1).