HOUSE BILL No. 5014

October 22, 2015, Introduced by Rep. Howrylak and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

A bill to amend 2011 PA 142, entitled "Health insurance claims assessment act,"

by amending sections 3 and 7 (MCL 550.1733 and 550.1737), section 3 as amended by 2014 PA 162; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 3. (1) For dates of service beginning on or after January
- 2 1, 2012 and ending on June 30, 2014, subject to subsections (2),
- 3 (3), and (4), there is levied upon and there shall be collected
- 4 from every carrier and third party administrator an assessment of
- 5 1% on that carrier's or third party administrator's paid claims.
- For dates of service beginning on or after July 1, 2014, and ending
- 7 on December 31, 2017, subject to this subsection and subsections
- (2), (3), and (4), there is levied upon and there shall be
- 9 collected from every carrier and third party administrator an

- 1 assessment of 0.75% on that carrier's or third party
- 2 administrator's paid claims. For dates of service beginning on or
- 3 after July 1, 2014, and ending on December 31, 2017, subject to
- 4 this subsection and subsections (2), (3), and (4), the assessment
- 5 levied under this subsection will increase to 1.0% if the federal
- 6 government informs this state that the use tax revenues assessed on
- 7 entities under section 3f of the use tax act, 1937 PA 94, MCL
- 8 205.93f, will not be federally reimbursed. If the assessment is
- 9 increased as provided in this subsection, the increased assessment
- 10 levied is effective on the date that the federal government informs
- 11 this state that the revenue collected from the use tax assessed on
- 12 medicaid MEDICAID managed care organizations under section 3f of
- 13 the use tax act, 1937 PA 94, MCL 205.93f, will not be federally
- 14 reimbursed. For the purposes of this subsection, a fiscal quarter
- 15 begins on the first day of January, April, July, or October.
- 16 (2) A carrier with a suspension or exemption under section
- 17 3717 of the insurance code of 1956, 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.3717, on
- 18 September 20, 2011 is subject to an assessment of 0.1%.
- 19 (3) All of the following apply to a group health plan that
- 20 uses the services of a third party administrator or excess loss or
- 21 stop loss insurer:
- 22 (a) A group health plan sponsor is not responsible for an
- 23 assessment under this section for a paid claim if the assessment on
- 24 that claim has been paid by a third party administrator or excess
- 25 loss or stop loss insurer, except as otherwise provided in section
- **26** 3a(2).
- (b) Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (d), the third

- 1 party administrator is responsible for all assessments on paid
- 2 claims paid by the third party administrator.
- 3 (c) Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (d), the
- 4 excess loss or stop loss insurer is responsible for all assessments
- 5 on paid claims paid by the excess loss or stop loss insurer.
- 6 (d) If there is both a third party administrator and an excess
- 7 loss or stop loss insurer servicing the group health plan, the
- 8 third party administrator is responsible for all assessments for
- 9 paid claims that are not reimbursed by the excess loss or stop loss
- 10 insurer and the excess loss or stop loss insurer is responsible for
- 11 all assessments for paid claims that are reimbursable to the excess
- 12 loss or stop loss insurer.
- 13 (4) The assessment under this section shall not exceed
- 14 \$10,000.00 per insured individual or covered life annually.
- 15 (5) To the extent an assessment paid under this section for
- 16 paid claims for a group health plan or individual subscriber is
- 17 inaccurate due to subsequent claim adjustments or recoveries,
- 18 subsequent filings shall be adjusted to accurately reflect the
- 19 correct assessment based on actual claims paid.
- 20 (6) Through June 30, 2014, if the assessment under this
- 21 section collects revenue in an amount greater than \$400,000,000.00,
- 22 adjusted annually by the medical inflation rate since 2011, each
- 23 carrier and third party administrator that paid the assessment
- 24 shall receive a proportional credit against the carrier's or third
- 25 party administrator's assessment in the immediately succeeding
- 26 year. Beginning July 1, 2014, if the sum of the assessment under
- 27 this section and the portion of the use tax assessed on entities

- 1 under section 3f of the use tax act, 1937 PA 94, MCL 205.93f, that
- 2 is dedicated to the general fund, less the general fund amount
- 3 necessary to reimburse those entities for the cost of the use tax,
- 4 is greater than \$400,000,000.00, as adjusted annually by the
- 5 medical inflation rate since 2011 but not to exceed an amount
- 6 greater than \$450,000,000.00, each carrier and third party
- 7 administrator that paid the assessment shall receive a proportional
- 8 credit against the carrier's or third party administrator's
- 9 assessment in the immediately succeeding year. The department shall
- 10 send a notice of credit to each carrier or third party
- 11 administrator entitled to a credit under this subsection not later
- 12 than July 1. A carrier or third party administrator entitled to a
- 13 credit under this subsection shall apply that credit to the July 30
- 14 payment. Any unused credit shall be carried forward and applied to
- 15 subsequent payments. If a carrier or third party administrator
- 16 entitled to a credit under this subsection has no liability under
- 17 this act in the immediately succeeding year or if this act is no
- 18 longer in effect, the department shall issue that carrier or third
- 19 party administrator a refund in the amount of any unused credit. If
- 20 a third party administrator receives a credit or refund under this
- 21 subsection, the third party administrator shall apply that credit
- 22 or refund to the benefit of the entity for which it processed the
- 23 claims under a service contract.
- Sec. 7. (1) All money received and collected under this act
- 25 shall be deposited by the department in the health insurance claims
- 26 assessment fund established in this section.
- 27 (2) The health insurance claims assessment fund is created

- 1 within the department.
- 2 (3) The state treasurer may receive money or other assets from
- 3 any of the following sources for deposit into the fund:
- 4 (a) Money received by the department under this act.
- 5 (b) Interest and earnings from fund investments. The state
- 6 treasurer shall direct the investment of the fund. The state
- 7 treasurer shall credit to the fund interest and earnings from fund
- 8 investments.
- 9 (c) Donations of money made to the fund from any source.
- 10 (4) Money in the fund at the close of the fiscal year shall
- 11 remain in the fund and shall not lapse to the general fund. and
- 12 shall remain available after this act is repealed January 1, 2014
- to pay any remaining credits or refunds due under section 3(6)
- 14 until all pending appeals and claims are resolved.
- 15 (5) Except as otherwise provided in this act, the department
- 16 shall transfer money from the fund, upon appropriation in the
- 17 respective departments, only for the following:
- 18 (a) To TO finance the expenditures of medicaid MEDICAID
- 19 managed care organizations that include medicaid MEDICAID
- 20 contracted health plans and specialty prepaid health plans.
- 21 (b) To pay any credits or refunds due under section 3(6).
- 22 Enacting section 1. Enacting section 2 of 2011 PA 142 is
- 23 repealed.
- 24 Enacting section 2. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
- 25 after the date it is enacted into law.