

MILITARY MEDICAL PERSONNEL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS PILOT PROGRAM

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House Bill 6056 as introduced
Sponsor: Rep. Dianna Farrington
Committee: Military and Veterans Affairs
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SUMMARY:

House Bill 6056 would amend the Public Health Code to permit the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA) to establish a pilot program in which *military medical personnel* could practice and perform certain delegated acts, tasks, or functions, under the supervision of a licensed physician or podiatrist. All of the following would apply to the pilot program:

- The delegation of an act, task or function to military medical personnel would have to reflect their level of training and experience.
- The supervising physician or podiatrist would retain responsibility for the care of the patient.
- Any licensed physician or podiatrist, a professional corporation, limited liability company, or partnership of a licensed physician or podiatrist, any hospital licensed under the Code, or any commercial enterprise that has medical facilities for its employees that are supervised by one or more physicians or podiatrists could participate in the pilot program.
- LARA, in collaboration with the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, would have to establish general requirements for participating military medical personnel, licensees, and employers.

The bill would also expressly allow a physician or podiatrist to delegate an act, task, or function to military medical personnel participating in the pilot program.

Military medical personnel would mean an individual who has recently served as a medic in the U.S. Army, medical technician in the U.S. Air Force, or corpsman in the U.S. Navy or U.S. Coast Guard and who was discharged or released from that service under conditions other than dishonorable.

The bill would take effect 90 days after enactment.

MCL 333.16215 and proposed MCL 333.16215a

FISCAL IMPACT:

House Bill 6056 would not be expected to have a significant impact on expenditures or revenues for the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs or any other unit of state or local government. Any costs associated with the pilot program described in the bill would likely be supported by existing departmental appropriations.

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