

MEDICAL SUPPLY STOCKPILE

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House Bill 5767 (proposed substitute H-1)
Sponsor: Rep. Jeff Yaroch
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SUMMARY:

House Bill 5767 would amend the Emergency Management Act to require the Emergency Management Division¹ to stockpile *medical supplies* in Michigan's emergency operations centers that are necessary to respond to a state of disaster or state of emergency within the state.

Medical supplies would mean equipment or supplies necessary for the proper and timely implementation of universal or standards precautions by medical personnel in response to the specific medical situation presented in that setting.

The division would also have to do all of the following:

- Coordinate all the medical supplies maintained and stockpiled by all state departments in Michigan. The Department of State Police would have discretion in implementing these requirements and would have to work with other state departments to maintain the stockpiled medical supplies.
- Rotate the supplies to avoid continued stockpiling of expired medical supplies.
- Sell the rotated supplies before the expiration date or donate the supplies to an educational program.

The division would also have to display a list of the medical supplies inventory, including quantities and expiration dates, on a free public website. The list would be subject to disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act.

The bill would charge the legislature with appropriating funds to implement these requirements. However, the inventory list would have to be maintained regardless of whether those funds were appropriated.

Proposed MCL 30.407b

BACKGROUND:

The Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division is established in the Department of State Police and is charged with coordinating the emergency management activities of county, state, municipal, and federal governments. The division maintains a

¹ Now known as the Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division (EMHSD),
https://www.michigan.gov/msp/0,4643,7-123-72297_60152---,00.html

state emergency management plan that encompasses mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery for the state.

Additionally, the Division of Emergency Preparedness and Response² in the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services maintains a Michigan Strategic National Stockpile (MISNS) program that coordinates with the Strategic National Stockpile, which is maintained by the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

FISCAL IMPACT:

House Bill 5767 could increase costs for the Department of State Police and other state departments by an indeterminate amount. Costs incurred under the bill would be related mainly to stockpile monitoring and storage costs. The bill stipulates that the legislature shall appropriate funds for implementation, but the bill would not be binding on future legislatures and it is unknown how any resulting costs would be offset.

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² https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/0,5885,7-339-71548_54783_54826_56166---,00.html