

HOUSE BILL NO. 4712

July 01, 2025, Introduced by Reps. Schmaltz, Wozniak, Cavitt, Markkanen, Bohnak, Rigas, Martin, Alexander, Frisbie, Fox, Kuhn, Tisdell, DeBoer, Borton, BeGole, Prestin, Harris, Schuette, St. Germaine, Hoadley, Linting, Roth, Conlin, O'Neal, Mentzer, Fairbairn, B. Carter, Paiz, Bierlein, Robinson, Rheingans, VanderWall and Andrews and referred to Committee on Families and Veterans.

A bill to create a Tricare premium reimbursement program; and to provide for the powers and duties of certain state governmental officers and entities.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 1. As used in this act:
- 2 (a) "Department" means the department of military and veterans
- 3 affairs.
- 4 (b) "Eligible recipient" means a member of the Michigan
- 5 National Guard who is eligible for coverage under the Tricare

1 reserve select program or the Tricare dental program and meets any
2 other eligibility criteria established by the department.

3 (c) "Program" means the Tricare premium reimbursement program
4 created in section 3.

5 (d) "Tricare dental program" means a voluntary dental health
6 insurance plan for eligible recipients who are not on active duty
7 and are not covered by a traditional assistance management program,
8 an existing health insurance program through an employer, or a
9 private market plan.

10 (e) "Tricare reserve select program" means a voluntary health
11 insurance plan for eligible recipients who are not on active duty
12 and are not covered by a traditional assistance management program,
13 an existing health insurance program through an employer, or a
14 private market plan.

15 Sec. 3. (1) The department shall create and operate a Tricare
16 premium reimbursement program. Under the program the department may
17 award grants to eligible recipients who meet the reimbursement
18 application requirements for a premium paid for either or both of
19 the following:

20 (a) Individual coverage through the Tricare reserve select
21 program.

22 (b) Individual coverage under the Tricare dental program.

23 (2) To apply for reimbursement under the program, an eligible
24 recipient must submit an application to the department using a form
25 determined by the department and containing the information
26 required by the department. The department shall make the form
27 described in this subsection and instructions for completing and
28 submitting the form available on the department's website.

29 Sec. 5. The department shall promulgate rules to implement

- 1 this act under the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA
- 2 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328.