

**PUBLIC HEALTH CODE (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 368 of 1978**

**333.21751 Emergency petition to place nursing home under control of receiver; appointment of receiver; use of income and assets; major structural alteration; consultation; termination of receivership; accounting; disposition of surplus funds.**

Sec. 21751. (1) When the department has concluded a proceeding under sections 71 to 106 of the administrative procedures act of 1969, as amended, being sections 24.271 to 24.306 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, or when the department has suspended or revoked the license of a nursing home, the department, a patient in the facility, or a patient's representative may file an emergency petition with the circuit court to place the nursing home under the control of a receiver if necessary to protect the health or safety of patients in the nursing home. The court may grant the petition upon a finding that the health or safety of the patients in the nursing home would be seriously threatened if a condition existing at the time the petition was filed is permitted to continue.

(2) The court shall appoint as receiver the director of the department of social services, the director of the department of public health, or another state agency or person designated by the director of public health. The receiver appointed by the court shall use the income and assets of the nursing home to maintain and operate the home and to attempt to correct the conditions which constitute a threat to the patients. A major structural alteration shall not be made to the nursing home, unless the alteration is necessary to bring the nursing home into compliance with licensing requirements.

(3) To assist in the implementation of the mandate of the court, the receiver may request and receive reasonable consultation from the available personnel of the department.

(4) The receivership shall be terminated when the receiver and the court certify that the conditions which prompted the appointment have been corrected, when the license is restored, when a new license is issued, or, in the case of a discontinuance of operation, when the patients are safely placed in other facilities, whichever occurs first.

(5) Upon the termination of the receivership, the receiver shall render a complete accounting to the court and shall dispose of surplus funds as the court directs.

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