THE NONPROFIT HEALTH CARE CORPORATION REFORM ACT (EXCERPT) Act 350 of 1980

550.1306 Effect of common directorship, officership, or interest on validity of contract or other transaction; burden of establishing validity of contract; exclusion of common or interested directors in determination of quorum; compensation of directors; bylaws regarding conflict of interest.

Sec. 306. (1) A contract or other transaction between a health care corporation and 1 or more of its directors or officers, or between a health care corporation and any other corporation, firm, or association of any type or kind in which 1 or more of its directors or officers are directors or officers, or are otherwise interested, is not void or voidable solely because of such common directorship, officership, or interest, or solely because the directors are present at the meeting of the board or committee thereof which authorizes or approves the contract or transaction, if all of the following conditions are satisfied:

- (a) The contract or other transaction is fair and reasonable to the corporation when it is authorized, approved, or ratified.
- (b) The material facts as to the officer's or director's relationship or interest and as to the contract or transaction are disclosed or known to the board or committee, and the board or committee authorizes, approves, or ratifies the contract or transaction by a vote sufficient for the purpose. The conditions of this subdivision shall be considered satisfied only if the officer or director has announced the potential conflict prior to the vote, the minutes of the meeting reflect that announcement, and the officer or director abstained from the vote.
- (2) When the validity of a contract described in subsection (1) is questioned, the burden of establishing its validity on the grounds prescribed is upon the director, officer, corporation, firm, or association asserting its validity.
- (3) Common or interested directors shall not be counted in determining the presence of a quorum at a board or committee meeting at the time a contract or transaction described in subsection (1) is authorized, approved, or ratified.
- (4) The board, by affirmative vote of a majority of directors in office and irrespective of any personal interest of any of them, may establish reasonable compensation of directors for services to the health care corporation as directors or officers of the health care corporation.
- (5) The bylaws of a health care corporation may include provisions regarding conflict of interest which are more stringent than this section.

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