## **SENATE BILL No. 738**

September 25, 2003, Introduced by Senators JELINEK and HARDIMAN and referred to the Committee on Families and Human Services.

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A bill to amend 1939 PA 280, entitled
"The social welfare act,"
by amending sections 108 and 109 (MCL 400.108 and 400.109),
section 109 as amended by 2002 PA 673.
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## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

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Sec. 108. (1) A medically indigent person as defined —under

subdivision (1) of— in section —106,— 106(1)(a) is entitled to

all the services enumerated in —subsections (a), (b), (c), (d),

(e) and (f) of section 109— section 109(a), (b), (c), (d), (e),

(f), and (g). A medically indigent person as defined —under

subdivision (2) of— in section —106— 106(1)(b) is entitled to

medical services enumerated in —subsections (a), (c) and (e) of

section —109— 109(a), (c), and (e). He—shall— or she is also

—be— entitled to the services enumerated in —subsections (b), (d)

and (f) of— section —109— 109(b), (d), and (f) to the extent—of
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- 1 appropriations are made available by the legislature for those
- 2 services during the fiscal year.
- 3 (2) Medical services shall be rendered upon certification by
- 4 the attending licensed physician and dental services shall be
- 5 rendered upon certification of the attending licensed dentist
- 6 that a service is required for the treatment of an individual.
- 7 The services of a medical institution shall be rendered only
- 8 after referral by a licensed physician or dentist and
- 9 certification by -him that physician or dentist that the
- 10 services of the medical institution are required for the medical
- 11 or dental treatment of the individual, except that referral is
- 12 not necessary in case of an emergency.
- 13 (3) Periodic recertification that medical treatment —which
- 14 that extends over a period of time is required in accordance with
- 15 regulations of the -state- department -shall be- is a condition
- 16 of continuing eligibility to receive medical assistance.
- 17 (4) To comply with federal -statutes law governing
- 18 medicaid, the <del>state</del> department shall provide <del>such</del> early and
- 19 periodic screening and diagnostic and treatment services to
- 20 eligible children -as it deems that the department considers
- 21 necessary.
- 22 Sec. 109. (1) The following medical services may be
- 23 provided under this act:
- (a) Hospital services that an eligible individual may receive
- 25 consist of medical, surgical, or obstetrical care, together with
- 26 necessary drugs, X-rays, physical therapy, prosthesis,
- 27 transportation, and nursing care incident to the medical,

- 1 surgical, or obstetrical care. The period of inpatient hospital
- 2 service shall be the minimum period necessary in this type of
- 3 facility for the proper care and treatment of the individual.
- 4 Necessary hospitalization to provide dental care shall be
- 5 provided if certified by the attending dentist with the approval
- 6 of the department of community health. An individual who is
- 7 receiving medical treatment as an inpatient because of a
- 8 diagnosis of tuberculosis or mental disease may receive service
- 9 under this section, notwithstanding the mental health code, 1974
- 10 PA 258, MCL 330.1001 to 330.2106, and 1925 PA 177, MCL 332.151 to
- 11 332.164. The department of community health shall pay for
- 12 hospital services <u>in accordance with</u> according to the state
- 13 plan for medical assistance adopted -pursuant according to
- 14 section 10 and approved by the United States department of health
- 15 and human services.
- 16 (b) An eligible individual may receive physician services
- 17 authorized by the department of community health. The service
- 18 may be furnished in the physician's office, the eligible
- 19 individual's home, a medical institution, or elsewhere in case of
- 20 emergency. A physician shall be paid a reasonable charge for the
- 21 service rendered. Reasonable charges shall be determined by the
- 22 department of community health and shall not be more than those
- 23 paid in this state for services rendered under title XVIII.
- 24 (c) An eligible individual may receive nursing home services
- 25 in a state licensed nursing home, a medical care facility, or
- 26 other facility or identifiable unit of that facility, certified
- 27 by the appropriate authority as meeting established standards for

- 1 a nursing home under the laws and rules of this state and the
- 2 United States department of health and human services, to the
- 3 extent found necessary by the attending physician, dentist, or
- 4 certified Christian Science practitioner. An eligible individual
- 5 may receive nursing services in a short-term nursing care program
- 6 established under section 22210 of the public health code, 1978
- 7 PA 368, MCL 333.22210, to the extent found necessary by the
- 8 attending physician when the combined length of stay in the acute
- 9 care bed and short-term nursing care bed exceeds the average
- 10 length of stay for medicaid hospital diagnostic related group
- 11 reimbursement. The department of community health shall not make
- 12 a final payment pursuant to under title XIX for benefits
- 13 available under title XVIII without documentation that title
- 14 XVIII claims have been filed and denied. The department of
- 15 community health shall pay for nursing home services -in
- 16 accordance with according to the state plan for medical
- 17 assistance adopted -pursuant according to section 10 and
- 18 approved by the United States department of health and human
- 19 services. A county shall reimburse a county maintenance of
- 20 effort rate determined on an annual basis for each patient day of
- 21 medicaid nursing home services provided to eligible individuals
- 22 in long-term care facilities owned by the county and licensed to
- 23 provide nursing home services. For purposes of determining rates
- 24 and costs described in this subdivision, all of the following
- 25 apply:
- 26 (i) For county owned facilities with per patient day updated
- 27 variable costs exceeding the variable cost limit for the county

- 1 facility, county maintenance of effort rate means 45% of the
- 2 difference between per patient day updated variable cost and the
- 3 concomitant nursing home-class variable cost limit, the quantity
- 4 offset by the difference between per patient day updated variable
- 5 cost and the concomitant variable cost limit for the county
- 6 facility. The county rate shall not be less than zero.
- 7 (ii) For county owned facilities with per patient day updated
- 8 variable costs not exceeding the variable cost limit for the
- 9 county facility, county maintenance of effort rate means 45% of
- 10 the difference between per patient day updated variable cost and
- 11 the concomitant nursing home class variable cost limit.
- 12 (iii) For county owned facilities with per patient day
- 13 updated variable costs not exceeding the concomitant nursing home
- 14 class variable cost limit, the county maintenance of effort rate
- 15 shall equal zero.
- 16 (iv) For the purposes of this section: "per patient day
- 17 updated variable costs and the variable cost limit for the county
- 18 facility" shall be determined -pursuant- according to the state
- 19 plan for medical assistance; for freestanding county facilities
- 20 the "nursing home class variable cost limit" shall be determined
- 21 pursuant according to the state plan for medical assistance and
- 22 for hospital attached county facilities the "nursing class
- 23 variable cost limit" shall be determined -pursuant according to
- 24 the state plan for medical assistance plus \$5.00 per patient day;
- 25 and "freestanding" and "hospital attached" shall be determined
- 26 in accordance with according to the federal regulations.
- 27 (v) If the county maintenance of effort rate computed -in

- 1 accordance with according to this section exceeds the county
- 2 maintenance of effort rate in effect as of September 30, 1984,
- 3 the rate in effect as of September 30, 1984 shall remain in
- 4 effect until a time that the rate computed -in accordance with
- 5 according to this section is less than the September 30, 1984
- 6 rate. This limitation remains in effect until December 31,
- 7 2007. For each subsequent county fiscal year the maintenance of
- 8 effort may not increase by more than \$1.00 per patient day each
- 9 year.
- 10 (vi) For county owned facilities, reimbursement for plant
- 11 costs will continue to be based on interest expense and
- 12 depreciation allowance unless otherwise provided by law.
- 13 (d) An eligible individual may receive pharmaceutical
- 14 services from a licensed pharmacist of the person's choice as
- 15 prescribed by a licensed physician or dentist and approved by the
- 16 department of community health. In an emergency, but not
- 17 routinely, the individual may receive pharmaceutical services
- 18 rendered personally by a licensed physician or dentist on the
- 19 same basis as approved for pharmacists.
- 20 (e) An eligible individual may receive other medical and
- 21 health services as authorized by the department of community
- 22 health.
- 23 (f) Psychiatric care may also be provided <del>pursuant</del>
- 24 according to the guidelines established by the department of
- 25 community health to the extent of appropriations made available
- 26 by the legislature for the fiscal year.
- 27 (g) An eligible individual may receive dental services as

- 1 authorized under a voucher program established by the
- 2 department. The department shall establish a voucher program to
- 3 implement this subdivision.
- 4 (2) The director shall provide notice to the public, —in
- 5 accordance with according to applicable federal regulations, and
- 6 shall obtain the approval of the committees on appropriations of
- 7 the house of representatives and senate of the legislature of
- 8 this state, of a proposed change in the statewide method or level
- 9 of reimbursement for a service, if the proposed change is
- 10 expected to increase or decrease payments for that service by 1%
- 11 or more during the 12 months after the effective date of the
- 12 change.
- 13 (3) As used in this act:
- 14 (a) "Title XVIII" means title XVIII of the social security
- 15 act, chapter 531, 49 Stat. 620, 42 U.S.C. 1395 to 1395b, 1395b-2,
- 16 1395b-6 to 1395b-7, 1395c to 1395i, 1395i-2 to 1395i-5, 1395j to
- 17 1395t, 1395u to 1395w, 1395w-2 to 1395w-4, 1395w-21 to 1395w-28,
- 18 1395x to 1395yy, and 1395bbb to 1395ggg.
- 19 (b) "Title XIX" means title XIX of the social security act,
- 20 chapter 531, 49 Stat. 620, 42 U.S.C. 1396 to 1396r-6 and 1396r-8
- 21 to 1396v.
- (c) "Title XX" means title XX of the social security act,
- 23 chapter 531, 49 Stat. 620, 42 U.S.C. 1397 to 1397f.

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