SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 5927

A bill to amend 1974 PA 258, entitled "Mental health code,"

by amending section 104 (MCL 330.1104), as amended by 1986 PA 287.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 104. (1) The head of the department is the director of
- 2 mental health as provided in section 401 of the executive
- 3 organization act of 1965, Act No. 380 of the Public Acts of 1965,
- 4 being section 16.501 of the Michigan Compiled Laws 1965 PA 380,
- 5 MCL 16.501.
- 6 (2) All executive authority of and within the department is
- 7 vested in the director, who may delegate -such THAT authority as
- 8 he or she considers necessary or appropriate. Any authority that
- 9 has by law been vested in any entity owned or operated by the

- 1 department, or any employee of the department is exercisable by the
- 2 director at his or her option. The director shall delegate
- 3 authority for clinical decisions to appropriately trained clinical
- 4 professionals. This subsection -shall apply APPLIES to each
- 5 chapter of the mental health code THIS ACT.
- 6 (3) THE DIRECTOR SHALL APPOINT A MEDICAL DIRECTOR OF MENTAL
- 7 HEALTH SERVICES WHO IS AN APPROPRIATELY CREDENTIALED PSYCHIATRIST.
- 8 THE MEDICAL DIRECTOR SHALL DO ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 9 (A) ADVISE THE DIRECTOR ON MENTAL HEALTH POLICY AND TREATMENT
- 10 ISSUES.
- 11 (B) SERVE AS A RESOURCE ON MENTAL HEALTH CLINICAL MATTERS TO
- 12 ALL DIVISIONS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT, OTHER STATE DEPARTMENTS, AND
- 13 THE MENTAL HEALTH FIELD.
- 14 (C) PROMOTE THE USE OF MENTAL HEALTH CARE AND TREATMENT BEST
- 15 PRACTICES THAT ARE SCIENTIFICALLY VALIDATED AND RECOVERY ORIENTED.
- 16 (4) -(3) Clinical psychiatric decisions regarding the
- 17 admission, treatment, and discharge of psychiatric patients in
- 18 state mental hospitals shall be made by qualified state hospital
- 19 physicians or appropriately credentialed psychiatrists granted
- 20 state hospital staff privileges -pursuant to UNDER section 245.