

**SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 5970**

A bill to amend 1969 PA 306, entitled
"Administrative procedures act of 1969,"
by amending section 7 (MCL 24.207), as amended by 2000 PA 216.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 7. "Rule" means an agency regulation, statement,
2 standard, policy, ruling, or instruction of general applicability
3 that implements or applies law enforced or administered by the
4 agency, or that prescribes the organization, procedure, or practice
5 of the agency, including the amendment, suspension, or rescission
6 of the law enforced or administered by the agency. Rule does not
7 include any of the following:
- 8 (a) A resolution or order of the state administrative board.
 - 9 (b) A formal opinion of the attorney general.
 - 10 (c) A rule or order establishing or fixing rates or tariffs.
 - 11 (d) A rule or order pertaining to game and fish and

1 promulgated under parts 401, 411, and 487 of the natural resources
2 and environmental protection act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.40101 to
3 324.40119, 324.41101 to 324.41105, and 324.48701 to 324.48740.

4 (e) A rule relating to the use of streets or highways, the
5 substance of which is indicated to the public by means of signs or
6 signals.

7 (f) A determination, decision, or order in a contested case.

8 (g) An intergovernmental, interagency, or intra-agency
9 memorandum, directive, or communication that does not affect the
10 rights of, or procedures and practices available to, the public.

11 (h) A form with instructions, an interpretive statement, a
12 guideline, **A POLICY DIRECTIVE**, an informational pamphlet, or other
13 material that in itself does not have the force and effect of law
14 but is merely explanatory.

15 (i) A declaratory ruling or other disposition of a particular
16 matter as applied to a specific set of facts involved.

17 (j) A decision by an agency to exercise or not to exercise a
18 permissive statutory power, although private rights or interests
19 are affected.

20 (k) Unless another statute requires a rule to be promulgated
21 under this act, a rule or policy that only concerns the inmates of
22 a state correctional facility and does not directly affect other
23 members of the public, except that a rule that only concerns
24 inmates which was promulgated before December 4, 1986, shall be
25 considered a rule and shall remain in effect until rescinded ~~but~~
26 ~~shall not be~~ **OR** amended. As used in this subdivision, "state
27 correctional facility" means a facility or institution that houses

1 an inmate population under the jurisdiction of the department of
2 corrections.

3 (l) A rule establishing special local watercraft controls
4 promulgated under former 1967 PA 303. A rule described in this
5 subdivision may be rescinded as provided in section 80113(2) of the
6 natural resources and environmental protection act, 1994 PA 451,
7 MCL 324.80113.

8 (m) All of the following, after final approval by the
9 certificate of need commission ~~or the statewide health~~
10 ~~coordinating council~~ under section 22215 ~~or 22217~~ of the public
11 health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.22215: ~~and 333.22217:~~

12 (i) The designation, deletion, or revision of covered medical
13 equipment and covered clinical services.

14 (ii) Certificate of need review standards.

15 (iii) Data reporting requirements and criteria for determining
16 health facility viability.

17 (iv) Standards used by the department of community health in
18 designating a regional certificate of need review agency.

19 (v) The modification of the 100 licensed bed limitation for
20 short-term nursing care programs set forth in section 22210 of the
21 public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.22210.

22 (n) A policy developed by the family independence agency under
23 section 6(3) of the social welfare act, 1939 PA ~~250~~ 280, MCL
24 400.6, setting income and asset limits, types of income and assets
25 to be considered for eligibility, and payment standards for
26 administration of assistance programs under that act.

27 (o) A policy developed by the family independence agency under

1 section 6(4) of the social welfare act, 1939 PA 280, MCL 400.6, to
2 implement requirements that are mandated by federal statute or
3 regulations as a condition of receipt of federal funds.

4 (p) The provisions of an agency's contract with a public or
5 private entity including, but not limited to, the provisions of an
6 agency's standard form contract.

7 (q) A policy developed by the department of community health
8 under the authority granted in section 111a of the social welfare
9 act, 1939 PA 280, MCL 400.111a, to implement policies and
10 procedures necessary to operate its health care programs in
11 accordance with an approved state plan or in compliance with state
12 statute.