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**VETERANS' FACILITIES**

**House Bill 4933**

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**Committee: Health Policy**

**Complete to 9-26-95**

**A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4933 AS INTRODUCED 6-6-95**

Under the Public Health Code, a certificate of need is required by health facilities, including nursing homes, in order to make, among other things, a change in bed capacity. House Bill 4933 would include veterans' hospitals and facilities created under Public Act 152 of 1885, which governs Michigan veterans' facilities, in the definition of a nursing home and therefore require them to be licensed as such. However, the bill would specifically exclude an increase in beds in a veterans' facility owned and operated by the state and licensed as a nursing home from the definition of "change in bed capacity".

The certificate of need provisions of the code currently exclude a veterans' facility operated by the state or federal government from the definition of health facility. The bill would change this exclusion to read "[a] veterans' facility owned and operated by the state and licensed as a nursing home under Part 217" and a veterans' facility "operated by the federal government". In addition, in determining a need for a proposed project involving nursing home beds, the bill would exclude nursing home beds in a veterans' facility owned and operated by the state and licensed as a nursing home from the inventory of beds used to establish a need.

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