SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 4128

A bill to provide for standards for contracts involving certain residential and care services; and to provide for remedies.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the
- 2 "housing-with-services contract act".
- 3 Sec. 2. As used in this act:
- 4 (a) "Health-related services" means 1 or more of the
- 5 following:
- 6 (i) Nursing services.
- 7 (ii) Nursing services delegated to aides or personal care
- 8 services including, but not limited to, escort services, remind-
- 9 ers, and standby assistance related to dressing or grooming.
- 10 (iii) Home aide care tasks.
- 11 (b) "Housing-with-services establishment" means a facility
- 12 regularly providing or offering to provide sleeping

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1 accommodations to 1 or more adult residents, at least 80% of whom

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- 2 are 55 years of age or older, and providing or offering to pro-
- 3 vide for a fee either 1 or more regularly scheduled
- 4 health-related services or 2 or more regularly scheduled support-
- 5 ive services, whether offered directly by the facility or by
- 6 another person by arrangement of the facility.
- 7 Housing-with-services establishment does not include an adult
- 8 foster care facility licensed under the adult foster care facil-
- 9 ity licensing act, 1979 PA 218, MCL 400.701 to 400.737, or a
- 10 health facility or agency licensed under article 17 of the public
- 11 health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.20101 to 333.22260.
- 12 (c) "Resident" means an individual living in a
- 13 housing-with-services establishment.
- 14 (d) "Supportive services" means helping with personal laun-
- 15 dry, arranging for medical services, health-related services,
- 16 social services, or transportation to medical or social services
- 17 appointments, or providing for at least 1 individual awake and
- 18 alert in the housing-with-services establishment to contact a
- 19 service provider in an emergency. Supportive services do not
- 20 include making referrals or assisting a resident in contacting a
- 21 service provider of the resident's choice.
- Sec. 3. (1) A facility shall not function as a
- 23 housing-with-services establishment for an individual except
- 24 under a written contract complying with this act.
- 25 (2) A contract between a housing-with-services establishment
- 26 and a resident must be in writing and shall include at least all
- 27 of the following:

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- (a) The name, street address, and mailing address of the
 housing-with-services establishment.
- 3 (b) The owner's name and mailing address.
- 4 (c) The title and address of the managing agent, whether an
- 5 owner of a management firm or agency.
- 6 (d) The title and address of at least 1 individual autho-
- 7 rized to accept service of process on behalf of the owner and
- 8 managing agent.
- 9 (e) A statement describing whether the housing-with-services
- 10 establishment is licensed by a local, state, or federal agency.
- 11 (f) The term of the contract described in months or years.
- 12 (g) A description of the services the establishment will
- 13 provide to the resident for the base-rate paid by the resident.
- 14 (h) A description of additional services available for an
- 15 additional fee from the housing-with-services establishment
- 16 directly or through arrangements with the housing-with-services
- 17 establishment.
- (i) A statement describing the policy of the
- 19 housing-with-services establishment regarding the outside con-
- 20 tracting of services by a resident.
- 21 (j) Fee schedules outlining the cost of additional
- 22 services.
- 23 (k) A description of the process through which the contract
- 24 may be modified, amended, or terminated, including conditions
- 25 under which a contract may be terminated by the resident or the
- 26 establishment.

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- 1 (1) A description of the housing-with-services
- 2 establishment's complaint resolution process.
- 3 (m) The resident's designated representative, if any.
- 4 (n) The establishment's referral procedure in the event the
- 5 contract is terminated.
- **6** (o) Billing and payment procedures and requirements.
- 7 (3) The housing-with-services establishment shall keep the
- 8 contracts and related documents executed by the establishment and
- 9 residents for at least 3 years after the date of termination of
- 10 each contract. Contracts, or copies of the contracts, for cur-
- 11 rent residents shall be kept at the establishment.
- Sec. 4. (1) A housing-with-services establishment shall
- 13 comply with this act.
- 14 (2) This act does not mandate a housing-with-services estab-
- 15 lishment to provide any of the following:
- 16 (a) A minimum core of services.
- 17 (b) A specific number of residents.
- 18 (c) Physical plant or facility specifications so long as the
- 19 housing-with-services establishment is in compliance with appli-
- 20 cable state and local codes.
- 21 Sec. 5. Nothing in this act limits a person's rights or
- 22 responsibilities under any other applicable state housing or
- 23 renting act.
- 24 Sec. 6. A contract executed in violation of this act is
- 25 voidable at the option of the resident. The provisions of this
- 26 section shall not be used as a means to avoid a resident's

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1 payment obligations if the contract is not executed in violation

2 of this act.

[Sec. 7. A housing-with-services establishment shall not bring, maintain, or defend an action to collect compensation for the performance of a contract determined by a court to be in willful violation of or noncompliance with this act.]