



HOUSE BILL No. 4983

October 12, 1999, Introduced by Reps. Bob Brown, Neumann, Pestka, Frank, Rocca, Howell, Green, Richardville, Allen and Sheltroun and referred to the Committee on Insurance and Financial Services.

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled
"Public health code,"
(MCL 333.1101 to 333.25211) by adding sections 16240 and 20195.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 SEC. 16240. (1) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "ELECTIVE
2 ABORTION" MEANS THE INTENTIONAL USE OF AN INSTRUMENT, DRUG, OR
3 OTHER SUBSTANCE OR DEVICE TO TERMINATE A WOMAN'S PREGNANCY FOR A
4 PURPOSE OTHER THAN TO INCREASE THE PROBABILITY OF A LIVE BIRTH,
5 TO PRESERVE THE LIFE OR HEALTH OF THE CHILD AFTER LIVE BIRTH, OR
6 TO REMOVE A DEAD FETUS. ELECTIVE ABORTION DOES NOT INCLUDE
7 EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING:

8 (A) THE PRESCRIPTION OF OR USE OF A DRUG OR DEVICE INTENDED
9 AS A CONTRACEPTIVE.

10 (B) THE INTENTIONAL USE OF AN INSTRUMENT, DRUG, OR OTHER
11 SUBSTANCE OR DEVICE BY A PHYSICIAN TO TERMINATE A WOMAN'S

1 PREGNANCY IF THE WOMAN'S PHYSICAL CONDITION, IN THE PHYSICIAN'S
2 REASONABLE MEDICAL JUDGMENT, NECESSITATES THE TERMINATION OF THE
3 WOMAN'S PREGNANCY TO AVERT HER DEATH.

4 (2) A LICENSEE OR REGISTRANT SHALL NOT SEEK OR ACCEPT REIM-
5 BURSEMENT FROM AN INSURER, HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION, OR
6 HEALTH CARE CORPORATION FOR ANY SERVICES PROVIDED THAT ARE
7 DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE PERFORMANCE OF AN ELECTIVE ABORTION
8 UNLESS THE REIMBURSEMENT SOUGHT OR ACCEPTED IS FROM AN OPTIONAL
9 RIDER PROVIDED UNDER ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

10 (A) SECTION 3407B OF THE INSURANCE CODE OF 1956, 1956 PA
11 218, MCL 500.3407B.

12 (B) SECTION 420C OF THE NONPROFIT HEALTH CARE CORPORATION
13 REFORM ACT, 1980 PA 350, MCL 550.420C.

14 (C) SECTION 21053F OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH CODE, 1978 PA 368,
15 MCL 333.21053F.

16 (3) THIS SECTION SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUED TO AFFECT LEGITIMATE
17 AND ROUTINE OBSTETRIC CARE, DIAGNOSTIC TESTING, OR OTHER NONABOR-
18 TION PROCEDURES.

19 (4) IN ADDITION TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTIES PRESCRIBED
20 IN SECTIONS 16221(G) AND 16226, A LICENSEE OR REGISTRANT WHO VIO-
21 LATES THIS SECTION IS LIABLE FOR A CIVIL FINE OF UP TO \$10,000.00
22 PER VIOLATION. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL INVESTIGATE AN ALLEGED VIO-
23 LATION OF THIS SECTION AND THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, IN COOPERATION
24 WITH THE DEPARTMENT, MAY BRING AN ACTION TO ENFORCE THIS
25 SECTION.

1 (5) NOTHING IN THIS SECTION RESTRICTS THE RIGHT OF A
2 LICENSEE OR REGISTRANT TO DISCUSS ABORTION OR ABORTION SERVICES
3 WITH A PATIENT WHO IS PREGNANT.

4 (6) THIS SECTION DOES NOT CREATE A RIGHT TO AN ABORTION.

5 (7) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS SECTION, A
6 PERSON SHALL NOT PERFORM AN ABORTION THAT IS PROHIBITED BY LAW.

7 SEC. 20195. (1) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "ELECTIVE
8 ABORTION" MEANS THE INTENTIONAL USE OF AN INSTRUMENT, DRUG, OR
9 OTHER SUBSTANCE OR DEVICE TO TERMINATE A WOMAN'S PREGNANCY FOR A
10 PURPOSE OTHER THAN TO INCREASE THE PROBABILITY OF A LIVE BIRTH,
11 TO PRESERVE THE LIFE OR HEALTH OF THE CHILD AFTER LIVE BIRTH, OR
12 TO REMOVE A DEAD FETUS. ELECTIVE ABORTION DOES NOT INCLUDE
13 EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING:

14 (A) THE PRESCRIPTION OF OR USE OF A DRUG OR DEVICE INTENDED
15 AS A CONTRACEPTIVE.

16 (B) THE INTENTIONAL USE OF AN INSTRUMENT, DRUG, OR OTHER
17 SUBSTANCE OR DEVICE BY A PHYSICIAN TO TERMINATE A WOMAN'S PREG-
18 NANCY IF THE WOMAN'S PHYSICAL CONDITION, IN THE PHYSICIAN'S REA-
19 SONABLE MEDICAL JUDGMENT, NECESSITATES THE TERMINATION OF THE
20 WOMAN'S PREGNANCY TO AVERT HER DEATH.

21 (2) A HEALTH FACILITY OR AGENCY SHALL NOT SEEK OR ACCEPT
22 REIMBURSEMENT FROM AN INSURER, HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION,
23 OR HEALTH CARE CORPORATION FOR ANY SERVICES PROVIDED THAT ARE
24 DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE PERFORMANCE OF AN ELECTIVE ABORTION
25 UNLESS THE REIMBURSEMENT SOUGHT OR ACCEPTED IS FROM AN OPTIONAL
26 RIDER PROVIDED UNDER ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

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2 218, MCL 500.3407B.

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6 MCL 333.21053F.

7 (3) THIS SECTION SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUED TO AFFECT LEGITIMATE
8 AND ROUTINE OBSTETRIC CARE, DIAGNOSTIC TESTING, OR OTHER NONABOR-
9 TION PROCEDURES.

10 (4) A HEALTH FACILITY OR AGENCY THAT VIOLATES THIS SECTION
11 IS LIABLE FOR A CIVIL FINE OF UP TO \$10,000.00 PER VIOLATION.
12 THE DEPARTMENT SHALL INVESTIGATE AN ALLEGED VIOLATION OF THIS
13 SECTION AND THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, IN COOPERATION WITH THE DEPART-
14 MENT, MAY BRING AN ACTION TO ENFORCE THIS SECTION.

15 (5) NOTHING IN THIS SECTION RESTRICTS THE RIGHT OF A HEALTH
16 CARE PROFESSIONAL OR OTHER HEALTH FACILITY OR AGENCY EMPLOYEE TO
17 DISCUSS ABORTION OR ABORTION SERVICES WITH A PATIENT WHO IS
18 PREGNANT.

19 (6) THIS SECTION DOES NOT CREATE A RIGHT TO AN ABORTION.

20 (7) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS SECTION, A
21 PERSON SHALL NOT PERFORM AN ABORTION THAT IS PROHIBITED BY LAW.