



HOUSE BILL No. 5838

May 24, 2000, Introduced by Rep. Law 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 section 21052c.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 SEC. 21052C. (1) A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION SHALL
2 NOT ENCOURAGE OR DIRECT AN INSURED TO AN EMERGENCY HEALTH SERV-
3 ICES RESPONSE AND TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM THAT IS IN COMPETITION
4 WITH OR IS A SUBSTITUTION FOR THE 9-1-1 EMERGENCY HEALTH SERVICES
5 SYSTEM OR OTHER STATE OR LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT EMERGENCY
6 HEALTH SERVICES SYSTEM.

7 (2) SUBSECTION (1) DOES NOT PROHIBIT A HEALTH MAINTENANCE
8 ORGANIZATION FROM USING OR REQUIRING TRANSPORTATION OUTSIDE THE
9 9-1-1 EMERGENCY HEALTH SERVICES SYSTEM OR OTHER STATE OR LOCAL
10 UNIT OF GOVERNMENT EMERGENCY HEALTH SERVICES SYSTEM FOR
11 NONEMERGENCY HEALTH SERVICES.

1 (3) A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION SHALL NOT REQUIRE AN
2 ENROLLEE TO OBTAIN PRIOR AUTHORIZATION BEFORE ACCESSING THE 9-1-1
3 SYSTEM OR OTHER STATE OR LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT EMERGENCY
4 HEALTH SERVICES SYSTEM FOR EMERGENCY HEALTH SERVICES.

5 (4) A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION SHALL NOT USE FALSE OR
6 MISLEADING LANGUAGE IN ANY MATERIALS PROVIDED TO ENROLLEES TO
7 DISCOURAGE OR PROHIBIT AN ENROLLEE FROM ACCESSING THE 9-1-1
8 SYSTEM FOR EMERGENCY HEALTH SERVICES.