

# SENATE BILL No. 895

December 11, 2003, Introduced by Senators HARDIMAN, STAMAS, KUIPERS, BARCIA,  
ALLEN, BISHOP and BROWN and referred to the Committee on Health Policy.

A bill to amend 1980 PA 350, entitled  
"The nonprofit health care corporation reform act,"  
(MCL 550.1101 to 550.1704) by adding section 409a.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1       Sec. 409a. (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law,  
2 a health care corporation may refuse to offer or provide a health  
3 care benefit that violates an ethical, moral, or religious  
4 principle reflected in its articles of incorporation or bylaws or  
5 an adopted mission statement.

6       (2) A health care corporation shall not refuse to offer or  
7 provide a health care benefit under subsection (1) if the benefit  
8 is specifically covered under the certificate.

9       (3) A health care corporation's refusal to offer or provide a  
10 health care benefit under subsection (1) shall not be a basis for  
11 1 or more of the following:

1           (a) Civil, criminal, or administrative liability.

2           (b) Eligibility discrimination against the health care  
3 corporation in providing a certificate where offering or  
4 providing the health care benefit is not expressly required as a  
5 condition of eligibility.