

Act No. 219
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**STATE OF MICHIGAN
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REGULAR SESSION OF 2001**

Introduced by Reps. Hardman, George, Julian, Howell, Richardville, Stewart, Woronchak, Basham, Scranton, Ehardt, Patterson, Jelinek, Voorhees, Shulman, Raczkowski, Shackleton, Vear, Plakas, Pappageorge, Hummel, Meyer, Kuipers, Vander Veen, Gilbert, Stamas, Allen, Anderson, Kooiman, Pumford, Middaugh, Kowall, Cassis, Van Woerkom, DeVuyst, Cameron Brown, Sanborn, Faunce, Neumann and Toy

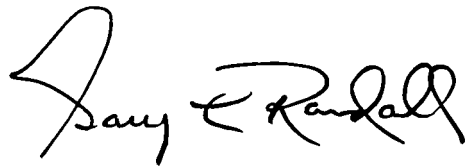
ENROLLED HOUSE BILL No. 5255

AN ACT to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "An act to protect and promote the public health; to codify, revise, consolidate, classify, and add to the laws relating to public health; to provide for the prevention and control of diseases and disabilities; to provide for the classification, administration, regulation, financing, and maintenance of personal, environmental, and other health services and activities; to create or continue, and prescribe the powers and duties of, departments, boards, commissions, councils, committees, task forces, and other agencies; to prescribe the powers and duties of governmental entities and officials; to regulate occupations, facilities, and agencies affecting the public health; to regulate health maintenance organizations and certain third party administrators and insurers; to provide for the imposition of a regulatory fee; to promote the efficient and economical delivery of health care services, to provide for the appropriate utilization of health care facilities and services, and to provide for the closure of hospitals or consolidation of hospitals or services; to provide for the collection and use of data and information; to provide for the transfer of property; to provide certain immunity from liability; to regulate and prohibit the sale and offering for sale of drug paraphernalia under certain circumstances; to provide for the implementation of federal law; to provide for penalties and remedies; to provide for sanctions for violations of this act and local ordinances; to repeal certain acts and parts of acts; to repeal certain parts of this act; and to repeal certain parts of this act on specific dates," (MCL 333.1101 to 333.25211) by adding section 21534.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

Sec. 21534. Upon the request of a patient, a patient's physician, a member of the patient's family, the patient's designated patient advocate, or the patient's legal guardian, a hospital shall provide information orally and in writing to the requesting party regarding hospice and palliative care services and the availability of hospice care in the area in which the hospital is located. The hospital shall provide the information whether or not the hospital provides hospice care.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.



Clerk of the House of Representatives.



Secretary of the Senate.

Approved

Governor.