HOUSE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 669

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code,"

by amending sections 20145, 22201, 22203, 22207, 22208, 22209, 22215, and 22221 (MCL 333.20145, 333.22201, 333.22203, 333.22207, 333.22208, 333.22209, 333.22215, and 333.22221), section 20145 as amended by 2015 PA 104, section 22201 as added by 1988 PA 332, sections 22203, 22207, 22209, 22215, and 22221 as amended by 2002 PA 619, and section 22208 as amended by 2011 PA 51.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

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Sec. 20145. (1) Before contracting for and initiating a 2 construction project involving new construction, additions, modernizations, or conversions of a health facility or agency with 3 a capital expenditure of \$1,000,000.00 or more, a person shall 4





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obtain a construction permit from the department. The department
 shall not issue the permit under this subsection unless the
 applicant holds a valid certificate of need if a certificate of
 need is required for the project under part 222.

5 (2) To protect the public health, safety, and welfare, the
6 department may promulgate rules to require construction permits for
7 projects other than those described in subsection (1) and the
8 submission of plans for other construction projects to expand or
9 change service areas and services provided.

10 (3) If a construction project requires a construction permit 11 under subsection (1) or (2), but does not require a certificate of 12 need under part 222, the department shall require the applicant to 13 submit information considered necessary by the department to assure 14 ensure that the capital expenditure for the project is not a 15 covered capital expenditure as defined in section 22203(9).

16 (4) If a construction project requires a construction permit 17 under subsection (1), but does not require a certificate of need 18 under part 222, the department shall require the applicant to 19 submit information on a 1-page sheet, along with the application 20 for a construction permit, consisting of all of the following:

(a) A short description of the reason for the project and thefunding source.

23 (b) A contact person for further information, including24 address and phone-telephone number.

25 (c) The estimated resulting increase or decrease in annual26 operating costs.

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(d) The current governing board membership of the applicant.(e) The entity, if any, that owns the applicant.



(5) The department shall make the information filed under



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subsection (4) shall be made publicly available by the department
 by the same methods used to make information about certificate of
 need applications publicly available.

(6) The review and approval of architectural plans and 4 5 narrative shall must require that the proposed construction project 6 is designed and constructed in accord with applicable statutory and 7 other regulatory requirements. In performing a construction permit 8 review for a health facility or agency under this section, the 9 department shall, at a minimum, apply the standards contained in 10 the document entitled "Minimum Design Standards for Health Care 11 Facilities in Michigan" published by the department and dated July 2007. The standards are incorporated by reference for purposes of 12 13 this subsection. The department may promulgate rules that are more 14 stringent than the standards if necessary to protect the public 15 health, safety, and welfare.

16 (7) The department shall promulgate rules to further prescribe17 the scope of construction projects and other alterations subject to18 review under this section.

19 (8) The department may waive the applicability of this section
20 to a construction project or alteration if the waiver will not
21 affect the public health, safety, and welfare.

(9) Upon On request by the person initiating a construction project, the department may review and issue a construction permit to a construction project that is not subject to subsection (1) or (2) if the department determines that the review will promote the public health, safety, and welfare.

27 (10) The department shall assess a fee for each review
28 conducted under this section. The fee is .5% of the first
29 \$1,000,000.00 of capital expenditure and .85% of any amount over



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1 \$1,000,000.00 of capital expenditure, up to a maximum of 2 \$60,000.00.

3 (11) As used in this section, "capital expenditure" means that
4 term as defined in section 22203(2), except that capital
5 expenditure does not include the cost of equipment that is not
6 fixed equipment.

Sec. 22201. (1) For purposes of this part, the words and
phrases defined in sections 22203 to 22207-22208 have the meanings
ascribed to them in those sections.

10 (2) In addition, article 1 contains general definitions and11 principles of construction applicable to all articles in this code.

12 13 (3) The definitions in part 201 do not apply to this part.Sec. 22203. (1) "Addition" means adding to a health facility

14 patient rooms, beds, and ancillary service areas, including, but 15 not limited to, procedure rooms or fixed equipment, surgical 16 operating rooms, therapy rooms or fixed equipment, or other 17 accommodations. to a health facility.

(2) "Capital expenditure" means an expenditure for a single 18 project, including cost of construction, engineering, and equipment 19 20 that under generally accepted accounting principles is not properly chargeable as an expense of operation. Capital expenditure includes 21 a lease or comparable arrangement by or on behalf of a health 22 23 facility to obtain a health facility, licensed part of a health 24 facility, or equipment for a health facility, if the actual 25 purchase of a health facility, licensed part of a health facility, or equipment for a health facility would have been considered a 26 27 capital expenditure under this part. Capital expenditure includes the cost of studies, surveys, designs, plans, working drawings, 28 29 specifications, and other activities essential to the acquisition,



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improvement, expansion, addition, conversion, modernization, new
 construction, or replacement of physical plant and equipment.

3 (3) "Certificate of need" means a certificate issued under
4 this part authorizing a new health facility, a change in bed
5 capacity, the initiation, replacement, or expansion of a covered
6 clinical service, or a covered capital expenditure that is issued
7 in accordance with this part.

8 (4) "Certificate of need review standard" or "review standard"9 means a standard approved by the commission.

10 (5) "Change in bed capacity" means 1 or more of the following:11 (a) An increase in licensed hospital beds.

12 (b) An increase in licensed nursing home beds or hospital beds13 certified for long-term care.

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(c) An increase in licensed psychiatric beds.

15 (d) A change from 1 licensed use to a different licensed use.

16 (e) The physical relocation of beds from a licensed site to17 another geographic location.

18 (6) "Clinical" means directly pertaining to the diagnosis,19 treatment, or rehabilitation of an individual.

(7) "Clinical service area" means an area of a health facility, including related corridors, equipment rooms, ancillary service and support areas that house medical equipment, patient rooms, patient beds, diagnostic, operating, therapy, or treatment rooms or other accommodations related to the diagnosis, treatment, or rehabilitation of individuals receiving services from the health facility.

27 (8) "Commission" means the certificate of need commission28 created under section 22211.

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(9) "Covered capital expenditure" means a capital expenditure



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of \$2,500,000.00 \$10,000,000.00 or more, as adjusted annually by 1 the department under section 22221(q), by a person for a health 2 facility for a single project, excluding the cost of nonfixed 3 medical equipment, that includes or involves the acquisition, 4 improvement, expansion, addition, conversion, modernization, new 5 6 construction, or replacement of a clinical service area.

7 (10) "Covered clinical service", except as modified by the 8 commission under section 22215, means 1 or more of the following:

9 (a) Initiation or expansion of 1 or more of the following 10 services:

(i) Neonatal intensive care services or special newborn nursing 11 12 services.

13 (*ii*) Open heart surgery.

14 (iii) Extrarenal organ transplantation.

(b) Initiation, replacement, or expansion of 1 or more of the 15 16 following services:

17 (i) Extracorporeal shock wave lithotripsy.

18 (*ii*) Megavoltage radiation therapy.

19 (iii) Positron emission tomography.

(*iv*) Surgical services provided in a freestanding surgical 20 outpatient facility, an ambulatory surgery center certified under 21 22 title XVIII, or a surgical department of a hospital licensed under 23 part 215 and offering inpatient or outpatient surgical services.

- (v) Cardiac catheterization. 24
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(vi) Fixed and mobile magnetic resonance imager services.

26 (vii) Fixed and mobile computerized tomography scanner

- 27 services.
- 28 (viii) Air ambulance services.



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(c) Initiation or expansion of a specialized psychiatric
 program for children and adolescent patients utilizing licensed
 psychiatric beds.

4 (d) Initiation, replacement, or expansion of a service not
5 listed in this subsection, but designated as a covered clinical
6 service by the commission under section 22215(1)(a).

7 (11) "Fixed equipment" means equipment that is affixed to and
8 constitutes a structural component of a health facility, including,
9 but not limited to, mechanical or electrical systems, elevators,
10 generators, pumps, boilers, and refrigeration equipment.

Sec. 22207. (1) "Medicaid" means the program for medical assistance administered by the department of community health under the social welfare act, 1939 PA 280, MCL 400.1 to 400.119b.

14 (2) "Modernization" means an upgrading, alteration, or change 15 in function of a part or all of the physical plant of a health 16 facility. Modernization includes, but is not limited to, the 17 alteration, repair, remodeling, and renovation of an existing 18 building and initial fixed equipment and the replacement of obsolete fixed equipment in an existing building. Modernization of 19 20 the physical plant does not include normal maintenance and 21 operational expenses.

(3) "New construction" means construction of a health facility
where a health facility does not exist or construction replacing or
expanding an existing health facility or a part of an existing
health facility.

26 (4) "Person" means a person-that term as defined in section
27 1106 or and includes a governmental entity.

(5) "Planning area" means the area defined in a certificate ofneed review standard for determining the need for, and the resource



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allocation of, a specific health facility, service, or equipment.
 Planning area includes, but is not limited to, the this state, a
 health facility service area, or a health service area or subarea
 within the this state.

5 (6) "Proposed project" means a proposal to acquire an existing
6 health facility or begin operation of a new health facility, make a
7 change in bed capacity, initiate, replace, or expand a covered
8 clinical service, or make a covered capital expenditure.

9 (7) "Rural county" means a county not located in a 10 metropolitan statistical area or micropolitan statistical areas as 11 those terms are defined under the "standards for defining metropolitan and micropolitan statistical areas" by the statistical 12 policy office Statistical and Science Policy Office of the office 13 14 of information and regulatory affairs Office of Information and 15 Regulatory Affairs of the United States office of management and 16 budget, Office of Management and Budget, 65 F.R. p. FR 82227 p 17 82238 (December 27, 2000).

18 (8) "Stipulation" means a requirement that is germane to the
19 proposed project and has been agreed to by an applicant as a
20 condition of certificate of need approval.

Sec. 22208. (1) "Title XVIII" means title XVIII of the social
security act, 42 USC 1395 to 1395kkk-1.1395lll.

23 (2) "Title XIX" means title XIX of the social security act,
24 chapter 531, 49 Stat. 620, 42 USC 1396 to 1396w-5.

25 Sec. 22209. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this part, a
26 person shall not do any of the following without first obtaining a
27 certificate of need:

28 (a) Acquire an existing health facility or begin operation of29 a health facility at a site that is not currently licensed for that



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1 type of health facility.

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(b) Make a change in the bed capacity of a health facility.

- 3 (c) Initiate, replace, or expand a covered clinical service.
 4 (d) Make a covered capital expenditure.
- 5 (2) A certificate of need is not required for a reduction in6 licensed bed capacity or services at a licensed site.

7 (3) Subject to subsection (9) and if the relocation does not
8 result in an increase of licensed beds within that health service
9 area, a certificate of need is not required for any of the
10 following:

(a) The physical relocation of licensed beds from a hospital
site licensed under part 215 to another hospital site licensed
under the same license as the hospital seeking to transfer the beds
if both hospitals are located within a 2-mile radius of each other.

(b) Subject to subsections (7) and (8), the physical relocation of licensed beds from a hospital licensed under part 215 to a freestanding surgical outpatient facility licensed under part 208 if that freestanding surgical outpatient facility satisfies each of the following criteria on December 2, 2002:

20 (i) Is owned by, is under common control of, or has as a common
21 parent the hospital seeking to relocate its licensed beds.

- 22 (*ii*) Was licensed prior to before January 1, 2002.
- 23 (iii) Provides 24-hour emergency care services at that site.

24 (*iv*) Provides at least 4 different covered clinical services at25 that site.

(c) Subject to subsections (7) and subsection (8), the physical relocation of licensed beds from a hospital licensed under part 215 to another hospital licensed under part 215 within the same health service area if the hospital receiving the licensed



beds is owned by, is under common control of, or has as a common
 parent the hospital seeking to relocate its licensed beds.

3 (4) Subject to subsection (5), a hospital licensed under part
4 215 is not required to obtain a certificate of need to provide 1 or
5 more of the covered clinical services listed in section 22203(10)
6 in a federal veterans veterans' health care facility or to use
7 long-term care unit beds or acute care beds that are owned and
8 located in a federal veterans veterans' health care facility if the
9 hospital satisfies each of the following criteria:

10 (a) The hospital has an active affiliation or sharing
11 agreement with the federal veterans veterans' health care facility.

(b) The hospital has physicians who have faculty appointments at the federal veterans veterans' health care facility or has an affiliation with a medical school that is affiliated with a federal veterans veterans' health care facility and has physicians who have faculty appointments at the federal veterans veterans' health care facility.

18 (c) The hospital has an active grant or agreement with the
19 state or federal government to provide 1 or more of the following
20 functions relating to bioterrorism:

- 21 (i) Education.
- 22 (*ii*) Patient care.
- 23 (*iii*) Research.
- 24 (*iv*) Training.

(5) A hospital that provides 1 or more covered clinical services in a federal veterans veterans' health care facility or uses long-term care unit beds or acute care beds located in a federal veterans veterans' health care facility under subsection (4) may not utilize procedures performed at the federal veterans



veterans' health care facility to demonstrate need or to satisfy a
 certificate of need review standard unless the covered clinical
 service provided at the federal veterans veterans' health care
 facility was provided under a certificate of need.

5 (6) If a hospital licensed under part 215 had fewer than 70
6 licensed beds on December 1, 2002, that hospital is not required to
7 satisfy the minimum volume requirements under the certificate of
8 need review standards for its existing operating rooms as long as
9 those operating rooms continue to exist at that licensed hospital
10 site.

11 (7) Before relocating beds under subsection (3)(b), the hospital seeking to relocate its beds shall provide the information 12 requested by the department of consumer and industry services 13 14 licensing and regulatory affairs that will allow the department of 15 consumer and industry services licensing and regulatory affairs to 16 verify the number of licensed beds that were staffed and available 17 for patient care at that hospital as of December 2, 2002. A 18 hospital shall transfer no more than 35% of its licensed beds to 19 another hospital or freestanding surgical outpatient facility under 20 subsection (3) (b) or (c) not more than 1 time after the effective 21 date of the amendatory act that added this subsection if the 22 hospital seeking to relocate its licensed beds or another hospital 23 owned by, under common control of, or having as a common parent the 24 hospital seeking to relocate its licensed beds is located in a city 25 that has a population of 750,000 or more. 26 (8) The licensed beds relocated under subsection (3) (b) or (c)

27 shall must not be included as new beds in a hospital or as a new
28 hospital under the certificate of need review standards for
29 hospital beds. One of every 2 beds transferred under subsection



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(3) (b) up to a maximum of 100 shall must be beds that were staffed
and available for patient care as of December 2, 2002. A hospital
relocating beds under subsection (3) (b) shall not reactivate
licensed beds within that hospital that were unstaffed or
unavailable for patient care on December 2, 2002 for a period of 5
years after the date of the relocation of the licensed beds under
subsection (3) (b).

8 (9) No licensed Licensed beds shall must not be physically 9 relocated under subsection (3) if 7 or more members of the 10 commission, after the appointment and confirmation of the 6 11 additional commission members under section 22211 but before June 15, 2003, determine that relocation of licensed beds under 12 13 subsection (3) may cause great harm and detriment to the access and 14 delivery of health care to the public and the relocation of beds 15 should not occur without a certificate of need.

16 (10) An applicant seeking a certificate of need for the 17 acquisition of an existing health facility may file a single, 18 consolidated application for the certificate of need if the project 19 results in the acquisition of an existing health facility but does 20 not result in an increase or relocation of licensed beds or the 21 initiation, expansion, or replacement of a covered clinical 22 service. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a person 23 acquiring an existing health facility is subject to the applicable certificate of need review standards in effect on the date of the 24 25 transfer for the covered clinical services provided by the acquired 26 health facility. The department may except 1 or more of the covered 27 clinical services listed in section 22203(10)(b), except the 28 covered clinical service listed in section 22203(10)(b)(iv), from the minimum volume requirements in the applicable certificate of 29



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need review standards in effect on the date of the transfer, if the 1 equipment used in the covered clinical service is unable to meet 2 the minimum volume requirements due to the technological incapacity 3 of the equipment. A covered clinical service excepted by the 4 5 department under this subsection is subject to all the other 6 provisions in the applicable certificate of need review standards 7 in effect on the date of the transfer, except minimum volume 8 requirements.

9 (11) An applicant seeking a certificate of need for the 10 relocation or replacement of an existing health facility may file a 11 single, consolidated application for the certificate of need if the project does not result in an increase of licensed beds or the 12 13 initiation, expansion, or replacement of a covered clinical 14 service. A person relocating or replacing an existing health 15 facility is subject to the applicable certificate of need review 16 standards in effect on the date of the relocation or replacement of 17 the health facility.

18 (12) As used in this section, "sharing agreement" means a 19 written agreement between a federal veterans veterans' health care 20 facility and a hospital licensed under part 215 for the use of the 21 federal veterans veterans' health care facility's beds or 22 equipment, or both, to provide covered clinical services.

Sec. 22215. (1) The commission shall do all of the following: (a) If determined necessary by the commission, revise, add to, or delete 1 or more of the covered clinical services listed in section 22203. If the commission proposes to add to the covered clinical services listed in section 22203, the commission shall develop proposed review standards and make the review standards available to the public not less than 30 days before conducting a



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1 hearing under subsection (3).

2 (b) Develop, approve, disapprove, or revise certificate of need review standards that establish for purposes of section 22225 3 the need, if any, for the initiation, replacement, or expansion of 4 5 covered clinical services, the acquisition or beginning the 6 operation of a health facility, making changes in bed capacity, or 7 making covered capital expenditures, including conditions, 8 standards, assurances, or information that must be met, 9 demonstrated, or provided by a person who applies for a certificate 10 of need. A certificate of need review standard may also establish 11 ongoing quality assurance requirements including any or all of the requirements specified in section 22225(2)(c). Except for nursing 12 home and hospital long-term care unit bed review standards, by 13 14 January 1, 2004, the commission shall revise all certificate of 15 need review standards to include a requirement that each applicant participate in title XIX. of the social security act, chapter 531, 16 49 Stat. 620, 1396r-6 and 1396r-8 to 1396v. 17

(c) Direct the department to prepare and submit recommendations regarding commission duties and functions that are of interest to the commission including, but not limited to, specific modifications of proposed actions considered under this section.

23 (d) Approve, disapprove, or revise proposed criteria for24 determining health facility viability under section 22225.

(e) Annually assess the operations and effectiveness of the
certificate of need program based on periodic reports from the
department and other information available to the commission.

(f) By January 1 , 2005, and of every 2 years thereafter, odd
year, make recommendations to the joint committee regarding



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statutory changes to improve or eliminate the certificate of need
 program.

3 (g) Upon On submission by the department, approve, disapprove,
4 or revise standards to be used by the department in designating a
5 regional certificate of need review agency - pursuant to under
6 section 22226.

7 (h) Develop, approve, disapprove, or revise certificate of8 need review standards governing the acquisition of new technology.

9 (i) In accordance with section 22255, approve, disapprove, or
10 revise proposed procedural rules for the certificate of need
11 program.

(j) Consider the recommendations of the department and the department of attorney general as to the administrative feasibility and legality of proposed actions under subdivisions (a), (b), and (c).

16 (k) Consider the impact of a proposed restriction on the 17 acquisition of or availability of covered clinical services on the 18 quality, availability, and cost of health services in this state.

19 (1) If the commission determines it necessary, appoint standard 20 advisory committees to assist in the development of proposed certificate of need review standards. A standard advisory committee 21 22 shall complete its duties under this subdivision and submit its recommendations to the commission within 6 months unless a shorter 23 period of time is specified by the commission when the standard 24 25 advisory committee is appointed. An individual shall serve on no 26 more than 2 standard advisory committees in any 2-year period. The 27 composition of a standard advisory committee shall must not include a lobbyist registered under 1978 PA 472, MCL 4.411 to 4.431, but 28 29 shall must include all of the following:



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(i) Experts with professional competence in the subject matter
 of the proposed standard, who shall must constitute a 2/3 majority
 of the standard advisory committee.

4 (*ii*) Representatives of health care provider organizations
5 concerned with licensed health facilities or licensed health
6 professions.

7 (iii) Representatives of organizations concerned with health
8 care consumers and the purchasers and payers of health care
9 services.

10 (m) In addition to subdivision (b), review and, if necessary, 11 revise each set of certificate of need review standards at least 12 every 3 years.

(n) If a standard advisory committee is not appointed by the commission and the commission determines it necessary, submit a request to the department to engage the services of private consultants or request the department to contract with any private organization for professional and technical assistance and advice or other services to assist the commission in carrying out its duties and functions under this part.

20 (o) Within 6 months after the appointment and confirmation of the 6 additional commission members under section 22211, develop, 21 22 approve, or revise certificate of need review standards governing 23 the increase of licensed beds in a hospital licensed under part 24 215, the physical relocation of hospital beds from 1 licensed site 25 to another geographic location, and the replacement of beds in a hospital licensed under part 215. 26 27 (2) The commission shall exercise its duties under this part

28 to promote and assure ensure all of the following:

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(a) The availability and accessibility of quality health



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services at a reasonable cost and within a reasonable geographic
 proximity for all people in this state.

3 (b) Appropriate differential consideration of the health care
4 needs of residents in rural counties in ways that do not compromise
5 the quality and affordability of health care services for those
6 residents.

7 (3) Not less than 30 days before final action is taken by the 8 commission under subsection (1)(a), (b), (d), or (h), or (o), the 9 commission shall conduct a public hearing on its proposed action. 10 In addition, not less than 30 days before final action is taken by 11 the commission under subsection (1)(a), (b), (d), or (h), $\frac{\partial r}{\partial r}$ 12 the commission chairperson shall submit the proposed action and a concise summary of the expected impact of the proposed action for 13 14 comment to each member of the joint committee. The commission shall 15 inform the joint committee of the date, time, and location of the 16 next meeting regarding the proposed action. The joint committee shall promptly review the proposed action and submit its 17 18 recommendations and concerns to the commission.

19 (4) The commission chairperson shall submit the proposed final 20 action including a concise summary of the expected impact of the proposed final action to the governor and each member of the joint 21 committee. The governor or the legislature may disapprove the 22 23 proposed final action within 45 days after the date of submission. If the proposed final action is not submitted on a legislative 24 25 session day, the 45 days commence on the first legislative session day after the proposed final action is submitted. The 45 days shall 26 27 must include not less than 9 legislative session days. Legislative 28 disapproval shall must be expressed by concurrent resolution which 29 shall must be adopted by each house of the legislature. The



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concurrent resolution shall must state specific objections to the 1 proposed final action. A proposed final action by the commission 2 under subsection (1)(a), (b), (d), or (h) , or (o) is not effective 3 if it has been disapproved under this subsection. If the proposed 4 5 final action is not disapproved under this subsection, it is 6 effective and binding on all persons affected by this part upon on 7 the expiration of the 45-day period or on a later date specified in 8 the proposed final action. As used in this subsection, "legislative 9 session day" means each day in which a quorum of either the house 10 of representatives or the senate, following a call to order, 11 officially convenes in Lansing to conduct legislative business.

12 (5) The commission shall not develop, approve, or revise a certificate of need review standard that requires the payment of 13 14 money or goods or the provision of services unrelated to the 15 proposed project as a condition that must be satisfied by a person 16 seeking a certificate of need for the initiation, replacement, or 17 expansion of covered clinical services, the acquisition or 18 beginning the operation of a health facility, making changes in bed 19 capacity, or making covered capital expenditures. This subsection 20 does not preclude a requirement that each applicant participate in 21 title XIX, of the social security act, chapter 531, 49 Stat. 620, 1396r-6 and 1396r-8 to 1396v, or a requirement that each applicant 22 23 provide covered clinical services to all patients regardless of his 24 or her ability to pay.

(6) If the reports received under section 22221(f) indicate that the certificate of need application fees collected under section 20161 have not been within 10% of 3/4 the cost to the department of implementing this part, the commission shall make recommendations regarding the revision of those fees so that the



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certificate of need application fees collected equal approximately
 3/4 of the cost to the department of implementing this part.

3 (7) As used in this section, "joint committee" means the joint4 committee created under section 22219.

Sec. 22221. The department shall do all of the following:

6 (a) Subject to approval by the commission, promulgate rules to7 implement its powers and duties under this part.

8 (b) Report to the commission at least annually on the9 performance of the department's duties under this part.

10 (c) Develop proposed certificate of need review standards for 11 submission to the commission.

12 (d) Administer and apply certificate of need review standards.
13 In the review of certificate of need applications, the department
14 shall consider relevant written communications from any person.

15 (e) Designate adequate staff or other resources to directly
16 assist hospitals and nursing homes with less than 100 beds in the
17 preparation of applications for certificates of need.

(f) By October 1 , 2003, and annually thereafter, of each year, report to the commission regarding the costs to the department of implementing this part and the certificate of need application fees collected under section 20161 in the immediately preceding state fiscal year.

(g) Beginning January 1, 2003, annually Annually adjust the
\$2,500,000.00 threshold set forth in section 22203(9) by an amount
determined by the state treasurer to reflect the annual percentage
change in the consumer price index, Consumer Price Index, using
data from the immediately preceding period of July 1 to June 30. As
used in this subdivision, "consumer price index" "Consumer Price
Index" means the most comprehensive index of consumer prices



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1 available for this state from the bureau of labor statistics Bureau

2 of Labor Statistics of the United States department of

3 labor.Department of Labor.

4 (h) Annually review the application process, including all
5 forms, reports, and other materials that are required to be
6 submitted with the application. If needed to promote administrative
7 efficiency, revise the forms, reports, and any other materials
8 required with the application.

9 (i) Within 6 months after the effective date of the amendatory 10 act that added this subdivision, By September 31, 2003, create a 11 consolidated application for a certificate of need for the 12 relocation or replacement of an existing health facility.

13 (j) In consultation with the commission, define single project14 as it applies to capital expenditures.



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