SENATE BILL NO. 956

June 03, 2020, Introduced by Senator LUCIDO and referred to the Committee on Health Policy and Human Services.

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code,"
by amending section 21717 (MCL 333.21717), as amended by 2014 PA 66, and by adding section 5145.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 5145. (1) The department shall develop and operate a centralized intake facility in each of the 8 health care regions of this state to provide care to individuals who test positive for
coronavirus and are ineligible for admission at a hospital.

(2) The department may buy or lease property and enter into
contracts as necessary or appropriate to implement and carry out
this section.

(3) As used in this section:

(a) "Coronavirus" means severe acute respiratory syndrome
coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2).

(b) "Health care region" means a health care region as
described by the department.

Sec. 21717. (1) An individual shall not be admitted or
retained for care in a nursing home who—
if either of the following applies:

(a) The individual requires special medical or surgical
treatment, or treatment for acute mental illness, developmental
disability, communicable tuberculosis, or a communicable disease,
unless the home is able to provide an area and a program for the
care. The department shall approve both the area and the program.

(b) The individual is being moved from another health facility
or agency and the individual has tested positive for coronavirus
unless that individual has since recovered from coronavirus.

(2) As used in this section, "coronavirus" means severe acute
respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2).