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SENATE BILL No. 1343

October 17, 2012, Introduced by Senator HUNTER and referred to the Committee on Health Policy.

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

(MCL 333.1101 to 333.25211) by adding part 204.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 PART 204

2 SEC. 20401. THIS PART SHALL BE KNOWN AND MAY BE CITED AS THE

SEC. 20403. AS USED IN THIS PART:

"MEDICAL GOOD-FAITH PROVISIONS ACT".

- (A) "MEDICAL FUTILITY" MEANS A JUDGMENT THAT FURTHER MEDICAL TREATMENT OF A PATIENT WOULD HAVE NO USEFUL RESULT.
- (B) "MEDICAL FUTILITY POLICY" MEANS ANY WRITTEN POLICY THAT
 ENCOURAGES OR ALLOWS A HEALTH FACILITY OR AGENCY EMPLOYEE, OR OTHER
 MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL WHO PROVIDES CARE TO PATIENTS AT A HEALTH

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FACILITY OR AGENCY, TO WITHHOLD OR DISCONTINUE TREATMENT FOR A

- 1 PATIENT ON THE GROUNDS OF MEDICAL FUTILITY.
- 2 SEC. 20405. A HEALTH FACILITY OR AGENCY THAT MAINTAINS A
- 3 MEDICAL FUTILITY POLICY THAT APPLIES TO THE TREATMENT OF A PATIENT
- 4 FROM BIRTH TO 18 YEARS OF AGE SHALL, UPON REQUEST, PROVIDE A COPY
- 5 OF THAT MEDICAL FUTILITY POLICY TO THE PATIENT, PROSPECTIVE
- 6 PATIENT, OR PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN OF THE PATIENT OR PROSPECTIVE
- 7 PATIENT.