

## ALLOW OUT-OF-STATE PHYSICIAN AFFILIATED WITH ATHLETIC TEAM TO PRACTICE IN STATE

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**House Bill 4792 as introduced**  
**Sponsor: Rep. Robert Wittenberg**  
**Committee: Regulatory Reform**  
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### REVISED SUMMARY:

House Bill 4792 would amend Section 16171 of the Public Health Code to allow an individual who is licensed as a physician in another state, and who provides medical services for an athletic team, to practice that profession in this state without holding a Michigan license, if all of the following are met:

- The individual holds a current, unrestricted license to practice medicine or osteopathic medicine and surgery in the other state.
- The athletic team is located in the same state in which the individual is licensed.
- The individual provides the medical services under the terms of a written agreement with the athletic team.
- The individual only provides the medical services while the athletic team is traveling to or from or participating in a sporting event in this state and only to any of the following:
  - A member of the athletic team.
  - A member of the athletic team's coaching, communications, equipment, or sports medicine staff.
  - A member of a band or cheerleading squad that is accompanying the athletic team.
  - The athletic team's mascot.
- The individual does not provide medical services at a health care facility or agency, as defined in Section 20106 of the Code, located in this state.

A health care facility or agency is defined in Section 20106 as:

- An ambulance operation, aircraft transport operation, nontransport prehospital life support operation, or medical first response service.
- A county medical care facility.
- A freestanding surgical outpatient facility.
- A health maintenance organization.
- A home for the aged.
- A hospital.
- A nursing home.
- A facility or agency listed above that is located in a university, college, or other educational institution.
- A hospice.

- A hospice residence.

[Note: this is the definition of the term that will go into effect on October 1, 2015. It is stated here because it is the definition that would be used by HB 4792 should the bill go into effect.]

Section 16171 of the Code currently contains several other situations in which an individual may practice a certain health profession without being licensed in that profession in Michigan.

The bill would take effect 90 days after being enacted.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

HB 4792, as introduced, would not have a significant fiscal impact on the state or local units of government as the bill would bring statute into conformity with relevant actual practices of the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA).

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