

**SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE BILL NO. 956**

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:

1 **Sec. 5145. (1) The department shall do all of the following:**

2 **(a) By July 31, 2020, conduct an evaluation of the operation,**
3 **efficacy, clinical outcomes, and performance of each COVID-19**
4 **regional hub that was implemented and operating during this state's**
5 **response to coronavirus in nursing homes and provide a detailed**
6 **report on its evaluation to the house and senate standing**
7 **committees on health policy.**

8 **(b) By August 31, 2020, develop and submit a plan to the house**



1 and senate standing committees on health policy describing a
2 process to ensure that there are dedicated facilities for only
3 coronavirus-positive patients in each of the 8 health care regions
4 of this state to provide care to individuals who test positive for
5 coronavirus and are ineligible for admission at a hospital, nursing
6 home, or adult foster care facility. If the plan uses the regional
7 hub design described in subdivision (a), the plan must incorporate
8 any enhancement that the department considers appropriate to
9 prevent the spread of coronavirus in nursing homes based on the
10 evaluation conducted by the department under this section.

11 (2) As used in this section:

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

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

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

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

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

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

