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 sections 5145 and 21537.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 5145. (1) By August 15, 2020, the department, in consultation with the department of licensing and regulatory affairs, shall conduct an evaluation of the operation, efficacy, clinical outcomes, and performance of each COVID-19 regional hub that was implemented and operating during this state's response to coronavirus in nursing homes and provide a detailed report on the evaluation described in this subsection to the house and senate standing committees on health policy.
(2) By September 1, 2020, the department, in consultation with
the department of licensing and regulatory affairs and with
hospitals located in each of the 8 health care regions, shall
develop a plan based on relevant guidance established by the
federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The plan
required under this subsection shall describe a process to ensure
that, by September 1, 2020, there is at least 1 dedicated facility
available for use in each of the 8 health care regions of this
state to provide care only to individuals who test positive for
coronavirus and are not eligible for admission at a hospital,
nursing home, or adult foster care facility. On completion of the
plan required under this subsection, the department shall submit
the plan to the house and senate standing committees on health
policy.

(3) As used in this section:

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

(b) "COVID-19 regional hub" means a hub as designated by the
department.

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

Sec. 21537. (1) Beginning September 1, 2020, if a hospital
determines that an individual who tests positive for coronavirus is
not eligible for admittance in the hospital and the individual is
not a resident of a nursing home, the hospital shall transfer the
individual to a dedicated facility described in section 5145(2) or
a field hospital or other facility used as a surge capacity for the
hospital.

(2) As used in this section, "coronavirus" means severe acute


Sec. 21717. (1) An—Except as otherwise provided in subsection
(2), an individual shall not be admitted or retained for care in a
nursing home—

(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) Beginning September 1, 2020, 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) Notwithstanding any other provision of this part,
beginning September 1, 2020, unless a nursing home can provide care
to a resident who tests positive for coronavirus in a physically
separate building, a nursing home shall move a resident who tests
positive for coronavirus to a dedicated facility as described in
section 5145(2) or a field hospital or other facility used as a
surge capacity for a hospital.

(3) Nothing in this section shall be construed to require a
nursing home to admit or retain an individual who has tested
positive for coronavirus.

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