

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:

1 **Sec. 5145. (1) The department shall develop and operate a**
2 **centralized intake facility in each of the 8 health care regions of**
3 **this state to provide care to individuals who test positive for**

1 coronavirus and are ineligible for admission at a hospital.

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

5 (3) As used in this section:

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

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

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

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

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

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