

SENATE BILL No. 295

May 1, 1991, Introduced by Senator PRIDNIA and referred to the Committee on Health Policy.

A bill to amend Act No. 350 of the Public Acts of 1980, entitled

"The nonprofit health care corporation reform act,"

as amended, being sections 550.1101 to 550.1704 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, by adding section 401d.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Section 1. Act No. 350 of the Public Acts of 1980, as
2 amended, being sections 550.1101 to 550.1704 of the Michigan
3 Compiled Laws, is amended by adding section 401d to read as
4 follows:

5 SEC. 401D. (1) IF A HEALTH CARE CORPORATION GROUP OR NON-
6 GROUP CERTIFICATE PROVIDES FOR HEALTH CARE BENEFITS FOR SERVICES
7 PERFORMED BY A PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANT, THOSE BENEFITS OR
8 REIMBURSEMENT FOR THOSE BENEFITS AT THE PREVAILING RATE SHALL NOT
9 BE DENIED IF THE SERVICES WERE PERFORMED BY A PHYSICIAN'S

1 ASSISTANT ACTING WITHIN THE SCOPE OF HIS OR HER LICENSE AND
2 REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THE SERVICES WERE PERFORMED BY A
3 PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANT WITHOUT A PHYSICIAN BEING PHYSICALLY
4 PRESENT ON THE PREMISES WHEN THE SERVICE WAS PERFORMED BY THE
5 PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANT.

6 (2) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANT" MEANS
7 AN INDIVIDUAL LICENSED AS A PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANT UNDER
8 ARTICLE 15 OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH CODE, ACT NO. 368 OF THE PUBLIC
9 ACTS OF 1978, BEING SECTIONS 333.16101 TO 333.18838 OF THE
10 MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.

11 (3) THIS SECTION APPLIES IN COUNTIES WITH POPULATIONS OF
12 50,000 PEOPLE OR LESS.