

HOUSE BILL No. 6245

September 29, 2004, Introduced by Reps. Middaugh, Tabor, Hummel, Vander Veen, Palsrok, Ehardt, Mortimer, Voorhees and Newell and referred to the Committee on Health Policy.

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled
"Public health code,"
(MCL 333.1101 to 333.25211) by adding section 21571.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 21571. (1) To be a rural hospital and qualify as an
2 eligible hospital under the federal medicare rural hospital
3 flexibility program, 42 USC 1395i-4, a hospital not located
4 outside of a metropolitan statistical area as defined in 42 USC
5 1395ww shall be located in a city, village, or township with a
6 population of no more than 10,000 and in a county with a
7 population of no more than 110,000. A hospital that is
8 determined to be a rural hospital under this section may be
9 designated by the department as a critical provider to satisfy
10 the eligibility requirements for certification as a critical
11 access hospital.

1 (2) As used in this section, "rural hospital" means a
2 hospital that is located outside of a metropolitan statistical
3 area as defined in 42 USC 1395ww or that satisfies the criteria
4 established under subsection (1).