

# Legislative Analysis

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## MENTAL HEALTH PARITY ANNUAL REPORT

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**House Bill 6137 as introduced**  
**Sponsor: Rep. Mary Whiteford**

Analysis available at  
<http://www.legislature.mi.gov>

**House Bill 6138 as introduced**  
**Sponsor: Rep. Julie Calley**

**House Bill 6139 as introduced**  
**Sponsor: Rep. Tommy Brann**

**Committee: Health Policy**  
**Complete to 6-15-22**

### SUMMARY:

House Bills 6137, 6138, and 6139 would amend different acts to require submission of an annual report by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and health insurers that contains the comparative analyses and other information regarding the design and application of nonquantitative treatment limitations that apply to mental health or substance use disorder benefits specified in federal law (42 USC 300gg-26(a)(8)(A)).<sup>1</sup>

**House Bill 6137** would add a new section to the Social Welfare Act to require DHHS to submit the report to the legislature and the Behavioral Health Advisory Council, Medical Care Advisory Council, and Disabilities Council by March 1 of each year. DHHS would have to collaborate and coordinate with contracted health plans and specialty prepaid health plans in preparing the report.

Proposed MCL 400.109n

**House Bill 6138** would add a new section to the Insurance Code to require an insurer that delivers, issues for delivery, or renews a health insurance policy in Michigan to submit the report to the director of the Department of Insurance and Financial Services (DIFS) by March 1 of each year, beginning in 2023.

Proposed MCL 500.3406z

**House Bill 6139** would add a new section to the Nonprofit Health Care Corporation Reform Act to require a health care corporation (Blue Cross Blue Shield) that issues or renews a group or nongroup certificate to submit the report to the director of DIFS by March 1 of each year, beginning in 2023.

MCL 550.1414c

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.law.cornell.edu/uscode/text/42/300gg-26>

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

House Bill 6137 would increase state DHHS administrative costs by a nominal and likely negligible amount to compile an annual report and would have no fiscal impact on local units of government.

House Bills 6138 and 6139 would not have a fiscal impact on any state or local government units.

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