

**[No. 425]**

**(SB 261)**

AN ACT to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate, and classify the laws relating to the insurance and surety business; to regulate the incorporation or formation of domestic insurance and surety companies and associations and the admission of foreign and alien companies and associations; to provide their rights, powers, and immunities and to prescribe the conditions on which companies and associations organized, existing, or authorized under this act may exercise their powers; to provide the rights, powers, and immunities and to prescribe the conditions on which other persons, firms, corporations, associations, risk retention groups, and purchasing groups engaged in an insurance or surety business may exercise their powers; to provide for the imposition of a privilege fee on domestic insurance companies and associations and the state accident fund; to provide for the imposition of a tax on the business of foreign and alien companies and associations; to provide for the imposition of a tax on risk retention groups and purchasing groups; to provide for the imposition of a tax on the business of surplus line agents; to provide for the imposition of regulatory fees on certain insurers; to modify tort liability arising out of certain accidents; to provide for limited actions with respect to that modified tort liability and to prescribe certain procedures for maintaining those actions; to require security for losses arising out of certain accidents; to provide for the continued availability and affordability of automobile insurance and homeowners insurance in this state and to facilitate the purchase of that insurance by all residents of this state at fair and reasonable rates; to provide for certain reporting with respect to insurance and with respect to certain claims against uninsured or self-insured persons; to prescribe duties for certain state departments and officers with respect to that reporting; to provide for certain assessments; to establish and continue certain state insurance funds; to modify and clarify the status, rights, powers, duties, and operations of the nonprofit malpractice insurance fund; to provide for the departmental supervision and regulation of the insurance and surety business within this state; to provide for regulation over worker's compensation self-insurers; to provide for the conservation, rehabilitation, or liquidation of unsound or insolvent insurers; to provide for the protection of policyholders, claimants, and creditors of unsound or insolvent insurers; to provide for associations of insurers to protect policyholders and claimants in the event of insurer insolvencies; to prescribe educational requirements for insurance agents and solicitors; to provide for the regulation of multiple employer welfare arrangements; to create an automobile theft prevention authority to reduce the number of automobile thefts in this state; to prescribe the powers and duties of the automobile theft prevention authority; to provide certain powers and duties upon certain officials, departments, and authorities of this state; to repeal acts and parts of acts; and to provide penalties for the violation of this act," (MCL 500.100 to 500.8302) by adding section 3406p.

*The People of the State of Michigan enact:*

**500.3406p Establishment of program to prevent onset of clinical diabetes required; report; coverages; "diabetes" defined.  
[M.S.A. 24.13406(16)]**

Sec. 3406p. (1) An insurer providing an expense-incurred hospital, medical, or surgical policy or certificate delivered or issued for delivery in this state and a health maintenance organization shall establish and provide to insureds, enrollees, and participating providers a program to prevent the onset of clinical diabetes. This program for participating providers shall emphasize best practice guidelines to prevent the onset of clinical diabetes

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and to treat diabetes, including, but not limited to, diet, lifestyle, physical exercise and fitness, and early diagnosis and treatment.

(2) An insurer and a health maintenance organization providing a program pursuant to subsection (1) shall regularly measure the effectiveness of the program by regularly surveying individuals covered by the policy, certificate, or contract. Not later than 2 years after the effective date of the amendatory act that added this section, each insurer and health maintenance organization providing a program pursuant to subsection (1) shall prepare a report containing the results of the survey and shall provide a copy of the report to the department of community health.

(3) An expense-incurred hospital, medical, or surgical policy or certificate delivered or issued for delivery in this state and a health maintenance organization contract shall include coverage for the following equipment, supplies, and educational training for the treatment of diabetes, if determined to be medically necessary and prescribed by an allopathic or osteopathic physician:

(a) Blood glucose monitors and blood glucose monitors for the legally blind.

(b) Test strips for glucose monitors, visual reading and urine testing strips, lancets, and spring-powered lancet devices.

(c) Syringes.

(d) Insulin pumps and medical supplies required for the use of an insulin pump.

(e) Diabetes self-management training to ensure that persons with diabetes are trained as to the proper self-management and treatment of their diabetic condition.

(4) An expense-incurred hospital, medical, or surgical policy or certificate delivered or issued for delivery in this state and a health maintenance organization contract that provides outpatient pharmaceutical coverage directly or by rider shall include the following coverage for the treatment of diabetes, if determined to be medically necessary:

(a) Insulin, if prescribed by an allopathic or osteopathic physician.

(b) Nonexperimental medication for controlling blood sugar, if prescribed by an allopathic or osteopathic physician.

(c) Medications used in the treatment of foot ailments, infections, and other medical conditions of the foot, ankle, or nails associated with diabetes, if prescribed by an allopathic, osteopathic, or podiatric physician.

(5) Coverage under subsection (3) for diabetes self-management training is subject to all of the following:

(a) Is limited to completion of a certified diabetes education program upon occurrence of either of the following:

(i) If considered medically necessary upon the diagnosis of diabetes by an allopathic or osteopathic physician who is managing the patient's diabetic condition and if the services are needed under a comprehensive plan of care to ensure therapy compliance or to provide necessary skills and knowledge.

(ii) If an allopathic or osteopathic physician diagnoses a significant change with long-term implications in the patient's symptoms or conditions that necessitates changes in a patient's self-management or a significant change in medical protocol or treatment modalities.

(b) Shall be provided by a diabetes outpatient training program certified to receive medicaid or medicare reimbursement or certified by the department of community health. Training provided under this subdivision shall be conducted in group settings whenever practicable.

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(6) Coverage under this section is not subject to dollar limits, deductibles, or copayment provisions that are greater than those for physical illness generally.

(7) As used in this section, "diabetes" includes all of the following:

- (a) Gestational diabetes.
- (b) Insulin-dependent diabetes.
- (c) Non-insulin-dependent diabetes.

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