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3 **Title: Exploring Clinical Integration**
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9 **Referred to: Reference Committee A**
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11 **House Action: Adopted as Amended**
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14 **Whereas, many doctors derive at least part of their income from non-**
15 **service activities such as incentives for quality control or income from ancillary**
16 **services, and**

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18 **Whereas, this income has traditionally been sanctioned by the Federal**
19 **Trade Commission (FTC) if the physicians were under a single tax ID, and**
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21 **Whereas, a new methodology for the disposition of this type of**
22 **reimbursement has been developed which allows the flow of income to be**
23 **disposed among health providers as long as they are working together to**
24 **increase patient quality, and**

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26 **Whereas, the authors of this methodology have received a positive ruling**
27 **from the FTC, and**
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29 **Whereas, the positives, negatives, and pitfalls for this methodology have**
30 **not been spelled out well for physicians by an independent body with no**
31 **conflicts of interest; therefore be it**
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33 **RESOLVED: That MSMS ask the AMA litigation center to review the**
34 **concept of clinical integration and the related Federal Trade Commission ruling**
35 **on multi-provider networks and develop appropriate educational materials to**
36 **educate members on the risks and benefits of this ruling; and be it further**
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38 **RESOLVED: That MSMS ask the AMA litigation center to explore the**
39 **ramifications of the Federal Trade Commission ruling on multi-provider**
40 **networks as it pertains to clinical integration and the relationships among**
41 **employed physicians, private physicians, and large health providers with the**
42 **idea to educate employed physician members as to the possibilities that this**
43 **methodology may affect their negotiations with large health providers.**
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46 **WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE: \$10,000 - \$50,000 for legal**
47 **counsel fees (as introduced).**