

RESOLUTION 95-07A

Title: Health Plan Financial Contracting with Vendors Promoting and Selling Tobacco Products

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House Action: Tabled

Whereas, tobacco smoking in Michigan is the cause of 14,700 yearly deaths, according to the www.tobaccofreekids.org/reports, and

Whereas, this exceeds death caused by alcohol, AIDs, car accidents, illegal drugs use, homicides and suicides combined, according to this website, and

Whereas, projected premature deaths of individuals 18 years and younger from smoking is estimated to be 255,000, according to this website, and

Whereas, the health care costs in Michigan directly caused by smoking is \$2.65 billion annually, according to this website, and

Whereas, Michigan Medicaid's health care costs is \$881 million, according to this website, and

Whereas, smoking related illness have \$3.4 billion annual losses in workplace productivity, according to this website, and

Whereas, annual estimated tobacco marketing expenditure is \$393.8 million, according to this website; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That MSMS encourage and promote Michigan health care plans and Medicaid program to not financially contract with vendors that promote and sell tobacco products.

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE: NONE