

RESOLUTION 63-08A

Title: "Suspension" of Physicians by the Board of Medicine and the Board of Osteopathic Physicians & Surgeons

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Referred to: Reference Committee on Constitution & Bylaws

House Action: Referred to the Board for Study

Whereas, MSMS Bylaws Section 2.30 in the Membership Classification section requires that members hold an "unrevoked, permanent license" in order to be eligible for active membership in any component society, and

Whereas, a physician whose license is suspended is not eligible to practice medicine, and

Whereas, if a county society is asked about the medical society membership status of a physician whose license is suspended, currently they have to indicate the physician is a full active member of the society, a statement that in some circumstances could be embarrassing to the society; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the MSMS Bylaws Section 2.30 be amended to require that members hold an "unrevoked, permanent license that is not currently under suspension;" and be it further

RESOLVED: That the MSMS Bylaws Section 2.30 be amended to require that while a physician's license is suspended, his/her membership in MSMS and in the component county society be changed to "suspended membership;" and be it further

RESOLVED: That the MSMS Bylaws Section 2.30 be amended to require that while an individual has a "suspended membership" in MSMS and a component county medical society, they will be not responsible for dues payments, nor will they be eligible for holding any office or serving on any committees; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the MSMS Bylaws Section 2.30 be amended to require that medical society membership and its benefits be automatically reinstated for any suspended member once his or her medical license has been reinstated by the state of Michigan.

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE: NONE