

RESOLUTION 23-10A

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3 **Title: Think Tank to Tackle Health Care Cost**  
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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, the exact amount of waste in the health care industry in the U.S.**  
15 **is unknown, and**

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17 **Whereas, a recent analysis<sup>1</sup> from PriceWaterhouseCoopers put the value**  
18 **around \$1.2 trillion a year, and**

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20 **Whereas, the amount of waste attributed to defensive medicine in the same**  
21 **report is \$210 billion, and**

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23 **Whereas, tackling waste will be one of the surest way to reduce the ever-**  
24 **increasing health care costs; therefore be it**

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26 **RESOLVED: That the Michigan Delegation to the AMA ask the AMA to**  
27 **expand its existing study of the ways to reduce waste in the health care sector so**  
28 **that the trend of increasing health care costs over the years could be reversed.**  
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31 **WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE: NONE**

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<sup>1</sup> The price of excess: Identifying waste in healthcare spending. (Accessed on February 9, 2010 at <http://www.pwc.com/us/en/healthcare/publications/the-price-of-excess.jhtml>)