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Title: Body Mass Index (BMI) and the Michigan Care Improvement Registry (MCIR)

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House Action: Disapproved.

Whereas, the Michigan Care Improvement Registry (MCIR) is a great tool as a registry of the immunizations of children, newborn hearing screening, and newborn metabolic screening, and

Whereas, the mechanism for publishing Body Mass Index (BMI) has been built into MCIR and is being used in certain federally funded clinics only, and

Whereas, MCIR can be accessed by non-medical entities such as schools, and

Whereas, the abuse of this form of health data has been reported in other parts of the country by non-health entities, and

Whereas, this calculation is easily obtained by online and other forms of calculators and therefore can be used in a patient controlled setting, like a health class, making the widespread dissemination of these numbers unnecessary; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That MSMS oppose Body Mass Index (BMI) being entered into the Michigan Care Improvement Registry (MCIR) without the patient knowledge by an entity that cannot be secured reliably and can be misused and misconstrued by non-medical personnel resulting in possible risks to privacy.

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE: NONE