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4 **Title: Addressing Fraud Within the Profession**

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10 **Referred to: Reference Committee E**

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12 **House Action: Approved as Amended**

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15 **Whereas, health care fraud is problematic in Michigan as it is elsewhere,**  
16 **and**

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18 **Whereas, the small percentage of physicians engaging in fraudulent**  
19 **behavior disparages the entire profession when exposed in state and national**  
20 **news outlets, and**

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22 **Whereas, fraud perpetrated by a few within the health care system results**  
23 **in costly regulatory and administrative burdens for the entire physician**  
24 **community, and**

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26 **Whereas, exposed fraud damages the public perception of physicians as**  
27 **honest brokers of health care dollars; therefore be it**

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29 **RESOLVED: That MSMS promote to its members an understanding of**  
30 **the professional and financial cost implications of insurance fraud for the entire**  
31 **physician community; and be it further**

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33 **RESOLVED: That MSMS encourage members to report physicians who**  
34 **are knowingly perpetrating health care fraud to the Michigan Board of Medicine**  
35 **and/or all other proper regulatory agencies.**

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38 **WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE: NONE**