

RESOLUTION 02-15

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3 Title: Oppose Fracking in Michigan
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9 Referred to: Reference Committee D
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11 House Action: **APPROVED AS AMENDED**
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14 Whereas, the Genesee County Medical Society and Michigan State Medical
15 Society have a long and illustrious history of protecting the public at large from
16 environmental health hazards, and
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18 Whereas, the Michigan State Medical Society has adopted the policy of
19 reverse onus, which requires proof of safety before releasing new hazards into the
20 environment, and
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22 Whereas, there are health concerns associated with fracking, and
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24 Whereas, protection of Michigan water supplies and resources is better
25 accomplished by prevention of contamination and environmental degradation than by
26 incurring the cost of cleaning up contamination and restoring degraded environments
27 after the fact; therefore be it
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29 **RESOLVED:** That MSMS oppose fracking in the state of Michigan until such
30 time as it is proven to be of no significant health hazard to the population or the
31 environment of the state of Michigan.
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34 **WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE: NONE**