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Title: Home Health Care Agency Licensure  
Introduced by: Robert Levine, MD, for the Oakland County Delegation  
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Referred to: Reference Committee B  
House Action: **APPROVE**

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Whereas, a home health care agency is an agency that provides skilled services (nurses, therapists, social workers) and/or unskilled services (home health aides, certified nursing assistants, homemakers, companions) to patients in their homes, and

Whereas, state licensure may help to control quality and may help to assure that only qualified individuals and organizations provide home health care services, and

Whereas, home health care agencies have been involved in several significant cases of health care fraud, and

Whereas, state licensure of home health care agencies may help to assure that patients are getting care from qualified individuals, and

Whereas, many other states require the licensure of home health care agencies; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That MSMS ask the Michigan Legislature to require the licensure of home health care agencies and set standards for their scope of practice.

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WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE: NONE