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Title: Licensing Anesthesiologist Assistants

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Referred to: Reference Committee B

House Action: **AMEND**

Whereas, the delivery of anesthesia for patient care is a complicated process best coordinated by anesthesiologists, and

Whereas, anesthesiologist assistants are trained in the administration of anesthesia in accredited schools and work in care teams directed by anesthesiologists, and

Whereas, despite delivering safe, quality care in Michigan and many other states for many years, there is no licensing process in Michigan for anesthesiologist assistants, and

Whereas, because anesthesiologist assistants do not have professional licenses in Michigan it is difficult for them to find employment because hospitals will not offer credentialing privileges for unlicensed medical professionals; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That MSMS work with the Michigan Legislature to advocate for the passage of legislation to require the licensure of anesthesiologist assistants in Michigan consistent with other MSMS policy relative to scope of practice.

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE: NONE