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Title: Identification of Non-Financial Conflicts of Interest  
Introduced by: James Szocik, MD, for the Washtenaw County Delegation  
Original Author: James Szocik, MD  
Referred to: Reference Committee C  
House Action: **AMEND**

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Whereas, current conflict of interest statements clearly identify financial conflicts of interest,  
and

Whereas, there are other conflicts of interest that exist that need to be declared and managed,  
and

Whereas, regulatory capture is an example of a non-financial conflict of interest, and

Whereas, when regulatory capture occurs, the interests of firms or political groups are  
prioritized over the interests of the public, leading to a net loss to society as a whole, and

Whereas, these non-financial conflicts such as regulatory capture can be important and  
influence the practice of medicine<sup>1</sup> and the public health<sup>2,3</sup>; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That MSMS amend its current conflict of interest policies to explicitly recognize  
regulatory capture as a conflict of interest.

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WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE: NONE

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<sup>1</sup> Kempen, Paul. Maintenance of Certification and Licensure: Regulatory Capture of Medicine Anes Analg June 2014, Vol. 118, no. 6, pp. 1378-1386.  
<sup>2</sup> <http://www.nytimes.com/2009/11/03/opinion/03tue3.html>  
<sup>3</sup> [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2015\\_Gold\\_King\\_Mine\\_waste\\_water\\_spill](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2015_Gold_King_Mine_waste_water_spill)