RESOLUTION 55-18

Title: Chronic Pain as a Legitimate Medical Condition

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Referred to: Reference Committee A

House Action: **DISAPPROVED**

Whereas, the State of Michigan has promulgated new laws pertaining to the prescribing of opioids and other controlled substances, and

Whereas, issuing prescriptions for legitimate reasons such as chronic pain has become more complicated; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That MSMS recognizes that chronic pain is a legitimate medical condition and first-line medications such as acetaminophen and NSAIDS will not offer relief in many cases.

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE: NONE

Relevant MSMS Policy:

Address Acute and Chronic Pain (pending final approval by the 2018 MSMS HOD)
MSMS supports multidisciplinary/multimodality physician-led care, insurance coverage for non-pharmacologic approaches to addressing pain, and evidence-based methods for addressing acute and chronic pain. (Res48-17)

Evidence-Based Pain Management (pending final approval by the 2018 MSMS HOD)
MSMS supports the development of evidence-based clinical practice guidelines on the management and treatment of pain and supports policies that promote and do not impede their adoption. (Res 91-17)