

Muskegon County Board of Commissioners



Muskegon County Resolution Urging State Legislature to Amend the
Michigan Auto Insurance Reform Act to Amend the Reimbursement Cap for
Auto Accident Victims and Home Health Care
Resolution #2022-266

WHEREAS the Michigan No-Fault Auto Insurance Reform Act of 2019 introduced a fee cap, which took final effect on July 1, 2021; this cap set percentage limits on how much residential care facilities, home health care providers, and other persons can be reimbursed for providing treatment/care to auto accident victims; and

WHEREAS these reimbursement caps are 55% of the reimbursement rates that Home Care Providers were collecting in 2019; and

WHEREAS, 55% of a Home Health Care provider's 2019 collections, is an unsustainable reimbursement cap to continue caring for catastrophically injured individuals following an auto accident; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Muskegon County Board of Commissioners hereby urges the Michigan Legislature to amend the Michigan No-Fault Auto Insurance Reform Act to address a sustainable fee cap (i.e. Michigan's Workman's Compensation Fee Cap for Ancillary Services) for Home Health Care providers, in order to uphold these benefits that have been paid for by the survivors who are currently receiving and who will receive in-home, long-term care, when purchasing an Unlimited PIP Auto Insurance policy, paid by the Michigan Catastrophic Claims Association; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Muskegon County Clerk is requested to forward copies of the adopted resolution to the Governor of the State of Michigan, the State Senate Majority and Minority leaders, the State House Speaker and Minority Leader, the members of the Muskegon County delegation to the Michigan Legislature, and the other 82 counties of Michigan as Commissioner Correspondence; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be sent to Governor Gretchen Whitmer, Senator Jon Bumstead, Representative Terry Sabo, Representative Greg VanWoerkom, the Michigan Senate, the Michigan House of Representatives, Michigan Association of Counties and to the Clerk of each County in the State of Michigan.

The Muskegon County Board of Commissioners, at its August 16, 2022, meeting recommended approval by Commissioner Nash, support by Commissioner Vice-Chair Hughes, the aforementioned resolution.

Ayes: Doug Brown, Kim Cyr, Marcia Hovey-Wright, Susie Hughes, Zach Lahring,
Charles Nash, Robert Scolnik, Rillastine Wilkins

Nayes: None

Excused: Malinda Pego

I, Nancy A. Waters, Clerk of the Muskegon County Board of Commissioners and Clerk of the County of Muskegon, do hereby certify that the above Resolution was duly adopted by said Board on August 16, 2022.

Nancy A. Waters
Nancy A. Waters, Clerk
County of Muskegon

August 19, 2022
Date

