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### **Medicaid Expansion Would be a Win for Over 400,000 Michiganders**

Lansing, MI - A revamped Medicaid Expansion bill, HB 4714, sponsored by Rep. Matt Lori (R-St. Joseph County), passed from the House with strong bipartisan support, 76 to 31, and is now in the Senate Government Operations Committee.

HB 4714 would save Michigan taxpayers about \$200 million a year in reduced health care spending, provide health insurance to an estimated 474,000 eligible low-income Michigan workers who are currently uninsured. This legislation would also provide funding that would support preventive healthcare and mental health treatment, which keeps people out of costly healthcare settings, jails, and prisons.

“This plan wouldn’t just provide health insurance to low-income workers who are uninsured today,” said Thomas Bardwell, President of the Michigan Association of Counties (M.A.C.) Board of Directors, “but it also would require some responsibility from the participant in the form of co-pays, along with incentivizing participants to practice a healthy lifestyle.”

M.A.C. supports the passing of HB 4714 and would like to thank Rep. Lori for sponsoring the bill, Governor Snyder for his continued support of this bill, Rep. Shirkey (R-Jackson County), and all legislators working to pass this important piece of legislation.

Below are the numbers, by county, of workers who would gain insurance under HB 4714. This information was provided by [www.reformmedicaidmi.com](http://www.reformmedicaidmi.com) via the Small Area Health Insurance Estimates (SAHIE) data from the U.S. Census Bureau and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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# Statewide Totals of Workers Who Would Gain Insurance Under House-Passed Medicaid Reforms

Statewide Totals By County		Statewide Totals (Cont'd)		Statewide Totals (Cont'd)	
County	Number	County	Number	County	Number
Alcona	547	Gratiot	1,823	Missaukee	869
Alger	397	Hillsdale	2,403	Monroe	4,985
Allegan	5,325	Houghton	2,094	Montcalm	3,575
Alpena	1,499	Huron	1,528	Montmorency	571
Antrim	1,266	Ingham	13,591	Muskegon	9,145
Arenac	1,030	Ionia	2,512	Newaygo	2,954
Baraga	413	Iosco	1,308	Oakland	42,547
Barry	2,126	Iron	574	Oceana	1,855
Bay	4,877	Isabella	4,773	Ogemaw	1,352
Benzie	897	Jackson	6,954	Ontonagon	351
Berrien	7,871	Kalamazoo	12,539	Osceola	1,365
Branch	2,263	Kalkaska	985	Oscoda	602
Calhoun	7,288	Kent	29,461	Ostego	1,171
Cass	2,761	Keweenaw	104	Ottawa	8,814
Charlevoix	1,070	Lake	780	Presque Isle	685
Cheboygan	1,446	Lapeer	3,737	Roscomon	1,421
Chippewa	1,893	Leelanau	785	Saginaw	9,872
Clare	1,838	Lenawee	4,509	Sanilac	2,426
Clinton	2,252	Livingston	4,483	Schoolcraft	465
Crawford	767	Luce	303	Shiawassee	3,163
Delta	1,703	Mackinac	667	St. Clair	7,474
Dickinson	1,056	Macomb	35,373	St. Joseph	3,109
Eaton	3,527	Manistee	1,136	Tuscola	2,808
Emmet	1,429	Marquette	2,704	Van Buren	4,650
Genesee	18,422	Mason	1,455	Washtenaw	13,618
Gladwin	1,484	Mecosta	2,775	Wayne	119,993
Gogebic	852	Menominee	1,071	Wexford	1,699
Grand Traverse	3,362	Midland	3,106	<b>Statewide Total: 474, 733</b>	

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