How to read a bill

The bill reproduced below shows the format used for all bills introduced in the Michigan Legislature. In general, most bills either add to existing law, or delete or change existing law. This particular bill would amend the Public Health Code to change minimum staffing levels in nursing homes. Copies of this bill or any other introduced bill are available through www.michiganlegislature.org.

The diagram below identifies key elements found in most bills. Current law is indicated by regular type. Deleted phrases have a line drawn through them. New language is in bold.