

Bill cuts risk for doctors in in-flight emergencies

To make effective medical treatment available in special flight situations, U.S. Rep. William Broomfield, R-Birmingham, has introduced the In-Flight Medical Emergency Assistance Act.

This bill would free licensed physicians from constraining malpractice liability when treating an in-flight emergency. "I think this is an important bill which will cut through some of the tangle of mal-

practice laws which have actually been working against us," said Broomfield whose district includes the Farmington area.

Fear of malpractice lawsuit could prevent a well-qualified professional from giving the kind of assistance that saves lives. The In-Flight Emergency Medical Assistance Act will not tolerate grossly irresponsible actions. It will give doctors needed freedom to act to

the best of their abilities. Broomfield said. "Passage of this bill would also free our courts from lengthy, and often counterproductive malpractice litigation." During the 90th Congress, legislation was introduced which resulted in the inclusion of a comprehensive medical kit on commercial flights. But any physician who used this kit in an emergency situation now risks civil malpractice liability, Broomfield said.

police/fire calls

Listed below are some of the Farmington-area police incidents, fire calls and court cases reported during the past week:

• FIRE REPORTED

An estimated \$1,000 in damage was reported last week when a grass fire occurred behind a house on Warner, according to a Farmington Department of Public Safety report. The fire started shortly after 9 p.m. July 12 when overhead wires and an insulator caught fire and spread. A garage on the property was damaged.

• THEFTS REPORTED

Lawn furniture and items valued at \$1,119 were reported stolen from a house on Cloverdale June 30-July 11. A commercial ramp valued at \$558 was reported stolen from the Packaging Store, 32328 Grand River, July 8-12. Jewelry valued at \$900 was re-

ported taken from a house on Brancher July 12.

A 1988 Chevrolet Suburban valued at \$23,000 was reported stolen from Botsford General Hospital, 28050 Grand River, July 13.

A bicycle valued at \$350 was reported stolen from a garage on Staman Court July 14.

Jewelry, a TV, money and a VCR valued at \$1,795 were reported stolen from 12th Estate Condos July 14.

Two stop signs were reported stolen from the intersection of Liberty and Congress July 15.

• TICKETS ISSUED

An employee at the Savings Spot, 31822 Grand River, was ticketed for selling beer to minors July 1. In the same incident, the youth buying the beer was ticketed and the driver of the car received a ticket for minors in possession of alcohol. A complaint was filed against the store with the state Liquor Control Commission.

A 19-year-old Farmington Hills man was ticketed for possessing beer during a traffic stop on Congress July 14.

A 21-year-old Birmingham woman was ticketed for open intoxicants in a motor vehicle during a traffic stop at Orchard Lake and Ludden July 14.

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WINNERS CIRCLE
BY LAURIE KIPP

Introduced in 1975, instant games are now the oldest in the Michigan Lottery lineup. They have offered a variety of formats and prize structures through the years. The following addresses current instant games.

Q: What's the newest instant game?
A: Tickets for the "Triple Header" scratch-off game went on sale July 19.

Q: How do you play?
A: Simply purchase a \$1 ticket at any of the nearly 8,000 Michigan Lottery retailers in the state. The ticket offers three different chances to win as you compare your team's score with its opponents. If yours is higher, scratching off another area reveals your prize.

Q: What can you win?
A: To satisfy player preference for more prizes, "Triple Header's" top prize is \$100 and there are 20,000, or \$2 million worth, of each prize in the game. Other prizes range from "Free Tickets" to \$10. In all, the game offers players prizes worth more than \$14 million.

Q: What are the odds of winning?
A: This game continues the popular prize structure where fifty-five cents of every dollar expected to be wagered has been put in the prize pool. Consequently, the odds of winning some kind of prize are about one in three!

Q: How do you go about collecting an instant game prize?
A: All winning tickets in "Triple Header" can be redeemed at any Lottery retailer for immediate prize payment.

Q: How long will this game remain on sale?
A: Beginning with the previous game, "Spin to Win," the Lottery's instant games will remain on sale at most retailers for up to one year or until they are sold out. This means there will be some overlap in the games, providing variety to players.

Q: You mean you can currently purchase "Spin to Win" or "Triple Header" tickets from Lottery agents?
A: Yes. Simply tell your retailer your game choice.

Q: Do proceeds from instant games aid schools?
A: As with all Lottery games, net revenues from instant games are earmarked for the state School Aid Fund to help support K-12 education. The Lottery contribution to the Fund has exceeded \$400 million in each of the past two fiscal years. This is the equivalent of about \$200 per household that otherwise might have had to come from taxes.

Q: If you have a Lottery question not yet covered in these notices, consult and it to: "Winners Circle," Michigan Lottery, P.O. Box 30077, Lansing, MI 48909.

on the agenda

Below are highlights from agendas of government meetings this week. All meetings are open to the public.

Farmington Hills City Council
Farmington Hills City Hall
31555 11 Mile
7:30 p.m. Monday, July 18

The following public hearings are scheduled:

• Cluster site plan/open space plan in RA-2, one-family residential district on the west side of Middlebelt, south of I-696. Proponent: Jerry Brady, Avante Construction. Owner: Aho Brothers.

• A zoning text amendment for industrial research office districts.

• Rezoning from B-3, general business district to B-2, community business district on the east side of Orchard Lake Road between Ludden and Whitewood roads. Proponent: Farmington Hills Planning Commission.

• Rezoning from B-3, general business district to B-2, community business district on the west side of Orchard Lake Road, north of 13 Mile. Proponent: Farmington Hills Planning Commission.

• Rezoning from B-3, general business district to OS-1, office service district, on the northeast corner

of Eight Mile and Gill roads. Proponent: Farmington Hills Planning Commission.

• Rezoning from B-3, general business district to B-1, local business district, on the north side of Eight Mile, east of Middlebelt. Proponent: Farmington Hills Planning Commission.

• Rezoning from B-2, community business district to B-1, light industrial district, on the north side of Eight Mile between Kenwood and Middlebelt roads. Proponent: Farmington Hills Planning Commission.

• Rezoning from B-3, general business district to B-4, planned general business district on the north side of 12 Mile, between Park Hill and Orchard Lake Road. Proponent: Farmington Hills Planning Commission.

Also on the agenda is consideration of an ordinance amendment for false alarms and for the conveyance of the Hanaway property on Freedom Road, between Drake and Gill, to the PCA Senior Housing Corp.

Council will consider the acceptance of city clerk JoAnn Reynolds resignation and appointment of a new city clerk. Also to be considered is a site plan for condominiums in RP-1, planned residential district on the east side of Halsted Road between 13 and 14 Mile. Proponent and

owner: Leon Zolkower, Ramblewood Development.

Farmington City Council
Farmington City Hall
23860 Liberty
8 p.m. Monday, July 18

The results of a downtown traffic study are expected to be presented this evening involving the areas of Grand River, Farmington Road and Shawwassee. The study was prompted by traffic complaints from the Old Village Homeowners Association several months ago.

Also on the agenda is the proposed 1988 city sidewalk improvement program, a proposed ordinance amending fence and air conditioner requirements, a proposed renewal of a maintenance contract for Farmington Road and contractor payments for north side lot and street improvements.

Sign variance requests for Public Storage Inc., Mayan Tile, In "N" Out Foods are also slated for discussion.

Farmington Board of Education
Schelman Administrative Center
32500 Shawwassee
7:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 19

Trustees will hold a study session regarding the upcoming bond election slated for Sept. 19.

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