Michigan has become the fourth U.S. state — and first in the Midwest — to pass a law giving terminally ill patients the right to try experimental medications.

**SB 991** applies to drugs that have not yet been approved by the U.S. Federal Drug Administration, but have successfully completed Phase I of an FDA-approved clinical trial. The bill provides liability protections to drug manufacturers, and under a separate measure (HB 5649), health care providers cannot be sanctioned by the state for giving patients access to the drugs.

As of October, Colorado, Louisiana and Missouri were the other states with “right to try” laws, according to the Goldwater Institute.

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