

HOUSE BILL NO. 211

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Introduced: 3/29/11

Referred: Health and Social Services, Labor and Commerce

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act prohibiting a health care insurer from denying coverage for an additional**
2 **quantity of eye drops prescribed by a physician."**

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

4 *** Section 1.** AS 21.42 is amended by adding a new section to read:

5 **Sec. 21.42.420. Coverage for prescription eye drops.** A health care insurer
6 that offers, issues for delivery, delivers, or renews a health care insurance plan in the
7 group or individual market in the state that provides coverage for prescription eye
8 drops shall allow for the limited refilling of an eye drop prescription prior to the last
9 day of the prescribed dosage period without regard to a coverage restriction for early
10 refill of prescription renewals. A refill dispensed prior to the expiration of the
11 prescribed and approved coverage period shall be limited in quantity, to the extent
12 practicable, to the amount of the remaining dosage initially approved for coverage.

13 *** Sec. 2.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
14 read:

1 APPLICABILITY. AS 21.42.420, added by sec. 1 of this Act, applies to a health care
2 insurance plan offered, issued for delivery, delivered, or renewed after the effective date of
3 this Act.