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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1008

5 By: Representative Pilkington
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO MODIFY THE COVERAGE OF CONTINUOUS GLUCOSE
9 MONITORS IN THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM; AND FOR
10 OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

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13 TO MODIFY THE COVERAGE OF CONTINUOUS
14 GLUCOSE MONITORS IN THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID
15 PROGRAM.
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 20-7-142 is repealed for reenactment in a
22 more appropriate section within the Arkansas Code.

23 ~~20-7-142. Continuous glucose monitor—Definition.~~

24 ~~(a) As used in this section, “continuous glucose monitor” means an~~
25 ~~instrument or device, including repair and replacement parts, that:~~

26 ~~(1) Is designed and offered for the purpose of aiding an~~
27 ~~individual with diabetes;~~

28 ~~(2) Measures glucose levels at set intervals by means of a small~~
29 ~~electrode placed under the skin and held in place by an adhesive; and~~

30 ~~(3) Is generally not useful to an individual who has not been~~
31 ~~diagnosed with diabetes.~~

32 ~~(b) The Arkansas Medicaid Program shall provide coverage for a~~
33 ~~continuous glucose monitor for the treatment of an individual if the~~
34 ~~individual has:~~

35 ~~(1) Either:~~

36 ~~(A) A presence of type 1 diabetes or any other type of~~



1 ~~diabetes with:~~

2 ~~(i) The use of insulin more than two (2) times~~

3 ~~daily; or~~

4 ~~(ii) Evidence of Level 2 or Level 3 hypoglycemia; or~~

5 ~~(B) Diagnosis of glycogen storage disease type Ia; and~~

6 ~~(2) Regular follow up with a healthcare provider at a minimum~~
 7 ~~every six (6) months to assess for ongoing benefit.~~

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 9 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 20, Chapter 77, Subchapter 1, is
 10 amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

11 20-77-148. Continuous glucose monitor – Definition.

12 (a) As used in this section, “continuous glucose monitor” means an
 13 instrument or device, including repair and replacement parts, that:

14 (1) Is designed and offered for the purpose of aiding an
 15 individual with diabetes;

16 (2) Measures glucose levels at set intervals by means of a small
 17 electrode placed under the skin and held in place by an adhesive; and

18 (3) Is generally not useful to an individual who has not been
 19 diagnosed with diabetes.

20 (b) The Arkansas Medicaid Program shall provide coverage for a
 21 continuous glucose monitor for the treatment of an individual if the
 22 individual has:

23 (1) Either:

24 (A) A presence of type 1 diabetes or any other type of
 25 diabetes with:

26 (i) The use of insulin more than two (2) times
 27 daily; or

28 (ii) Evidence of Level 2 or Level 3 hypoglycemia; or

29 (B) Diagnosis of glycogen storage disease type Ia; and

30 (2) Regular follow-up visits with a healthcare provider at a
 31 minimum of every six (6) months to assess for ongoing benefit of the
 32 continuous glucose monitor.

33 (c) Coverage for a continuous glucose monitor under the Arkansas
 34 Medicaid Program shall allow the beneficiary to obtain a continuous glucose
 35 monitor through a prescription at a pharmacy and be eligible for rebates as a
 36 pharmacy benefit.