

General Assembly

Raised Bill No. 6587

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LCO No. 3750



Referred to Committee on INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE

Introduced by: (INS)

AN ACT CONCERNING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR EPINEPHRINE CARTRIDGE INJECTORS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective January 1, 2022) No individual health 2 insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in 3 subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (10), (11), (12) and (16) of section 38a-469 of the 4 general statutes delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or 5 continued in this state on or after January 1, 2022, that provides coverage 6 for an epinephrine cartridge injector shall impose a coinsurance, 7 copayment, deductible or other out-of-pocket expense for a covered 8 epinephrine cartridge injector in an amount that is greater than twenty-9 five dollars. The provisions of this section shall apply to a high 10 deductible health plan, as that term is used in subsection (f) of section 11 38a-493 of the general statutes, to the maximum extent permitted by 12 federal law, except if such plan is used to establish a medical savings 13 account or an Archer MSA pursuant to Section 220 of the Internal 14 Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal 15 revenue code of the United States, as amended from time to time, or a 16 health savings account pursuant to Section 223 of said Internal Revenue

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Code, as amended from time to time, the provisions of this section shall apply to such plan to the maximum extent that (1) is permitted by federal law, and (2) does not disqualify such account for the deduction allowed under said Section 220 or 223, as applicable. For the purposes of this section, "epinephrine cartridge injector" has the same meaning as provided in section 19a-909 of the general statutes.

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Sec. 2. (NEW) (Effective January 1, 2022) No group health insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (10), (11), (12) and (16) of section 38a-469 of the general statutes delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state on or after January 1, 2022, that provides coverage for an epinephrine cartridge injector shall impose a coinsurance, copayment, deductible or other out-of-pocket expense for a covered epinephrine cartridge injector in an amount that is greater than twenty-five dollars. The provisions of this section shall apply to a high deductible health plan, as that term is used in subsection (f) of section 38a-520 of the general statutes, to the maximum extent permitted by federal law, except if such plan is used to establish a medical savings account or an Archer MSA pursuant to Section 220 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as amended from time to time, or a health savings account pursuant to Section 223 of said Internal Revenue Code, as amended from time to time, the provisions of this section shall apply to such plan to the maximum extent that (1) is permitted by federal law, and (2) does not disqualify such account for the deduction allowed under said Section 220 or 223, as applicable. For the purposes of this section, "epinephrine cartridge injector" has the same meaning as provided in section 19a-909 of the general statutes.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following		
sections:		
Section 1	January 1, 2022	New section
Sec. 2	January 1, 2022	New section

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Statement of Purpose:

To provide that certain individual and group health insurance policies shall not impose a coinsurance, copayment, deductible or out-of-pocket expense for a covered epinephrine cartridge injector in an amount that is greater than twenty-five dollars.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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