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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATE BILL

No. 704 Session of  
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INTRODUCED BY SMITH, BREWSTER, COSTA, HUGHES AND TARTAGLIONE,  
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REFERRED TO BANKING AND INSURANCE, APRIL 7, 2015

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AN ACT

1 Amending the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), entitled "An  
2 act relating to insurance; amending, revising, and  
3 consolidating the law providing for the incorporation of  
4 insurance companies, and the regulation, supervision, and  
5 protection of home and foreign insurance companies, Lloyds  
6 associations, reciprocal and inter-insurance exchanges, and  
7 fire insurance rating bureaus, and the regulation and  
8 supervision of insurance carried by such companies,  
9 associations, and exchanges, including insurance carried by  
10 the State Workmen's Insurance Fund; providing penalties; and  
11 repealing existing laws," further providing for reimbursement  
12 for diabetic supplies.

13 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
14 hereby enacts as follows:

15 Section 1. Section 634(a) of the act of May 17, 1921  
16 (P.L.682, No.284), known as The Insurance Company Law of 1921,  
17 added October 16, 1998 (P.L.784, No.98), is amended to read:

18 Section 634. Reimbursement for Diabetic Supplies.--(a)  
19 Except to the extent already covered under another policy, any  
20 individual or group health, sickness and accident insurance  
21 policy, group health insurance plans/policies, and all other  
22 forms of managed/capitated care plans/policies or subscriber  
23 contract or certificate issued by any entity subject to 40

1 Pa.C.S. Ch. 61 (relating to hospital plan corporations) or 63  
2 (relating to professional health services plan corporations) or  
3 the act of December 29, 1972 (P.L.1701, No.364), known as the  
4 "Health Maintenance Organization Act," [the act of December 14,  
5 1992 (P.L.835, No.134), known as the "Fraternal Benefit  
6 Societies Code,"] or this act providing hospital or  
7 medical/surgical coverage shall provide coverage of the  
8 equipment, supplies, medication and outpatient self-management  
9 training and education, including medical nutrition therapy for  
10 the treatment of insulin-dependent diabetes, insulin-using  
11 diabetes, gestational diabetes [and], non-insulin-using diabetes  
12 and the treatment of pain associated with complications of  
13 diabetes, including diabetic peripheral neuropathy and other  
14 comorbid conditions, if prescribed by a health care professional  
15 legally authorized to prescribe such items under law. The  
16 benefits specified in this section may be provided through a  
17 combination of policies, contracts, certificates or riders,  
18 including major medical contracts.

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20 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.