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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2010

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RELATING TO INSURANCE -- PROVIDERS OF HEALTH CARE BENEFITS --
COPAYMENTS AND DEDUCTIBLES

Introduced By: Representatives D Caprio, Williamson, A Rice, Ucci, and Flaherty

Date Introduced: May 05, 2010

Referred To: House Health, Education & Welfare

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 27-18 of the General Laws entitled "Accident and Sickness
2 Insurance Policies" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 **27-18-71. Mandatory collection of copayments prohibited.** – Notwithstanding any
4 provisions to the contrary, no accident or sickness insurance policy shall mandate that any health
5 care provider collect deductibles for services provided to a patient.

6 SECTION 2. Chapter 27-19 of the General Laws entitled "Nonprofit Hospital Service
7 Corporations" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

8 **27-19-62. Mandatory collection of copayments prohibited.** – Notwithstanding any
9 provisions to the contrary, no individual or group hospital or medical services contract plan or
10 policy shall mandate that any health care provider collect deductibles for services provided to a
11 patient.

12 SECTION 3. Chapter 27-20 of the General Laws entitled "Nonprofit Medical Service
13 Corporations" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

14 **27-20-57. Mandatory collection of copayments prohibited.** -- Notwithstanding any
15 provisions to the contrary, no individual or group health insurance contract plan or policy shall
16 mandate that any health care provider collect deductibles for services provided to a patient.

17 SECTION 4. Chapter 27-20.9 of the General Laws entitled "Contract With Health Care
18 Providers" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

1 **27-20.9-4. Mandatory collection of copayments prohibited.** -- Notwithstanding any
2 provisions to the contrary, no accident or sickness insurance contract plan or policy shall mandate
3 that any health care provider collect deductibles for services provided to a patient.

4 SECTION 5. Chapter 27-41 of the General Laws entitled "Health Maintenance
5 Organizations" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

6 **27-41-75. Mandatory collection of copayments prohibited.** -- Notwithstanding any
7 provisions to the contrary, no health maintenance organization contract plan or policy shall
8 mandate that any health care provider collect deductibles for services provided to a patient.

9 SECTION 6. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
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- 1 This act would prohibit any health care insurer or health care plan or policy from
- 2 mandating that health care providers collect deductibles from patients.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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