

1 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

2 FOR

3 **Senate Bill No. 22**

4 (By Senators Stollings, Jenkins, Kessler (Mr. President), Miller
5 and Beach)

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7 [Originating in the Committee on Banking and Insurance;
8 reported March 19, 2013.]
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12 A BILL to amend and reenact §5-16-7 of the Code of West Virginia,
13 1931, as amended; to amend said code by adding thereto a new
14 section, designated §33-15-4k; to amend said code by adding
15 thereto a new section, designated §33-16-3w; to amend said
16 code by adding thereto a new section, designated §33-24-7l; to
17 amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated
18 §33-25-8i; and to amend said code by adding thereto a new
19 section, designated §33-25A-8k, all relating generally to
20 requiring health insurance coverage of maternity services in
21 certain circumstances; providing maternity services for all
22 individuals participating in or receiving insurance coverage
23 under a health insurance policy if those services are covered
24 under the policy; modifying required benefits for public

1 employees insurance, accident and sickness insurance, group
2 accident and sickness insurance, hospital medical and dental
3 corporations, health care corporations and health maintenance
4 organizations; and providing exceptions to the extent that
5 required benefits exceed the essential health benefits
6 specified under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care
7 Act.

8 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

9 That §5-16-7 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended,
10 be amended and reenacted; that said code be amended by adding
11 thereto a new section, designated §33-15-4k; that said code be
12 amended by adding thereto a new section, designated §33-16-3w; that
13 said code be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated
14 §33-24-7l; that said code be amended by adding thereto a new
15 section, designated §33-25-8i; and that said code be amended by
16 adding thereto a new section, designated §33-25A-8k, all to read as
17 follows:

18 **CHAPTER 5. GENERAL POWERS AND AUTHORITY OF GOVERNOR, SECRETARY**
19 **OF STATE AND ATTORNEY GENERAL; BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS;**
20 **MISCELLANEOUS AGENCIES, COMMISSIONS, OFFICES, PROGRAMS, ETC.**

21 **ARTICLE 16. WEST VIRGINIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES INSURANCE ACT.**

22 **§5-16-7. Authorization to establish group hospital and surgical**
23 **insurance plan, group major medical insurance plan,**
24 **group prescription drug plan and group life and**

1 **accidental death insurance plan; rules for**
2 **administration of plans; mandated benefits; what**
3 **plans may provide; optional plans; separate rating**
4 **for claims experience purposes.**

5 (a) The agency shall establish a group hospital and surgical
6 insurance plan or plans, a group prescription drug insurance plan
7 or plans, a group major medical insurance plan or plans and a group
8 life and accidental death insurance plan or plans for those
9 employees herein made eligible and ~~to~~ establish and promulgate
10 rules for the administration of these plans subject to the
11 limitations contained in this article. ~~Those~~ These plans shall
12 include:

13 (1) Coverages and benefits for X ray and laboratory services
14 in connection with mammograms when medically appropriate and
15 consistent with current guidelines from the United States
16 Preventive Services Task Force; pap smears, either conventional or
17 liquid-based cytology, whichever is medically appropriate, and
18 consistent with the current guidelines from either the United
19 States Preventive Services Task Force or The American College of
20 Obstetricians and Gynecologists; and a test for the human papilloma
21 virus (HPV) when medically appropriate and consistent with current
22 guidelines from either the United States Preventive Services Task
23 Force or The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists,
24 when performed for cancer screening or diagnostic services on a

1 woman age eighteen or over;

2 (2) Annual checkups for prostate cancer in men age fifty and
3 over;

4 (3) Annual screening for kidney disease as determined to be
5 medically necessary by a physician using any combination of blood
6 pressure testing, urine albumin or urine protein testing and serum
7 creatinine testing as recommended by the National Kidney
8 Foundation;

9 (4) For plans that include maternity benefits, coverage for
10 inpatient care in a duly licensed health care facility for a mother
11 and her newly born infant for the length of time which the
12 attending physician considers medically necessary for the mother or
13 her newly born child. ~~Provided, That~~ No plan may deny payment for
14 a mother or her newborn child prior to forty-eight hours following
15 a vaginal delivery or prior to ninety-six hours following a
16 caesarean section delivery if the attending physician considers
17 discharge medically inappropriate;

18 (5) For plans which provide coverages for post-delivery care
19 to a mother and her newly born child in the home, coverage for
20 inpatient care following childbirth as provided in subdivision (4)
21 of this subsection if inpatient care is determined to be medically
22 necessary by the attending physician. ~~Those~~ These plans may ~~also~~
23 include, among other things, medicines, medical equipment,
24 prosthetic appliances and any other inpatient and outpatient

1 services and expenses considered appropriate and desirable by the
2 agency; and

3 (6) Coverage for treatment of serious mental illness:

4 (A) The coverage does not include custodial care, residential
5 care or schooling. For purposes of this section, "serious mental
6 illness" means an illness included in the American Psychiatric
7 Association's diagnostic and statistical manual of mental
8 disorders, as periodically revised, under the diagnostic categories
9 or subclassifications of: (i) Schizophrenia and other psychotic
10 disorders; (ii) bipolar disorders; (iii) depressive disorders; (iv)
11 substance-related disorders with the exception of caffeine-related
12 disorders and nicotine-related disorders; (v) anxiety disorders;
13 and (vi) anorexia and bulimia. With regard to ~~any~~ a covered
14 individual who has not yet attained the age of nineteen years,
15 "serious mental illness" also includes attention deficit
16 hyperactivity disorder, separation anxiety disorder and conduct
17 disorder.

18 (B) Notwithstanding any other provision in this section to the
19 contrary, ~~in the event that the agency can demonstrate~~ if the
20 agency demonstrates that its total costs for the treatment of
21 mental illness for any plan ~~exceeded~~ exceeds two percent of the
22 total costs for such plan in any experience period, then the agency
23 may apply whatever additional cost-containment measures may be
24 necessary ~~including, but not limited to, limitations on inpatient~~

1 ~~and outpatient benefits, to maintain costs below two percent of the~~
2 ~~total costs for the plan for the next experience period. in order~~
3 ~~to maintain costs below two percent of the total costs for the plan~~
4 ~~for the next experience period. These measures may include, but~~
5 ~~are not limited to, limitations on inpatient and outpatient~~
6 ~~benefits.~~

7 (C) The agency shall not discriminate between medical-surgical
8 benefits and mental health benefits in the administration of its
9 plan. With regard to both medical-surgical and mental health
10 benefits, it may make determinations of medical necessity and
11 appropriateness and it may use recognized health care quality and
12 cost management tools including, but not limited to, limitations on
13 inpatient and outpatient benefits, utilization review,
14 implementation of cost-containment measures, preauthorization for
15 certain treatments, setting coverage levels, setting maximum number
16 of visits within certain time periods, using capitated benefit
17 arrangements, using fee-for-service arrangements, using third-party
18 administrators, using provider networks and using patient cost
19 sharing in the form of copayments, deductibles and coinsurance.

20 (7) Coverage for general anesthesia for dental procedures and
21 associated outpatient hospital or ambulatory facility charges
22 provided by appropriately licensed health care individuals in
23 conjunction with dental care if the covered person is:

24 (A) Seven years of age or younger or is developmentally

1 disabled and is an individual for whom a successful result cannot
2 be expected from dental care provided under local anesthesia
3 because of a physical, intellectual or other medically compromising
4 condition of the individual and for whom a superior result can be
5 expected from dental care provided under general anesthesia;

6 (B) A child who is twelve years of age or younger with
7 documented phobias or with documented mental illness and with
8 dental needs of such magnitude that treatment should not be delayed
9 or deferred and for whom lack of treatment can be expected to
10 result in infection, loss of teeth or other increased oral or
11 dental morbidity and for whom a successful result cannot be
12 expected from dental care provided under local anesthesia because
13 of such condition and for whom a superior result can be expected
14 from dental care provided under general anesthesia.

15 (8) (A) Any plan issued or renewed on or after January 1,
16 2012, shall include coverage for diagnosis, evaluation and
17 treatment of autism spectrum disorder in individuals ages eighteen
18 months to eighteen years. To be eligible for coverage and benefits
19 under this subdivision, the individual must be diagnosed with
20 autism spectrum disorder at age eight or younger. Such policy
21 shall provide coverage for treatments that are medically necessary
22 and ordered or prescribed by a licensed physician or licensed
23 psychologist and in accordance with a treatment plan developed from
24 a comprehensive evaluation by a certified behavior analyst for an

1 individual diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder.

2 (B) The coverage shall include, but not be limited to, applied
3 behavior analysis ~~Applied behavior analysis~~ which shall be
4 provided or supervised by a certified behavior analyst. The annual
5 maximum benefit for applied behavior analysis required by this
6 subdivision shall be in an amount not to exceed \$30,000 per
7 individual for three consecutive years from the date treatment
8 commences. At the conclusion of the third year, coverage for
9 applied behavior analysis required by this subdivision shall be in
10 an amount not to exceed \$2,000 per month, until the individual
11 reaches eighteen years of age, as long as the treatment is
12 medically necessary and in accordance with a treatment plan
13 developed by a certified behavior analyst pursuant to a
14 comprehensive evaluation or reevaluation of the individual. This
15 subdivision ~~shall not be construed as limiting, replacing or~~
16 ~~affecting~~ does not limit, replace or affect any obligation to
17 provide services to an individual under the Individuals with
18 Disabilities Education Act, 20 U. S. C. 1400 et seq., as amended
19 from time to time or other publicly funded programs. Nothing in
20 this subdivision ~~shall be construed as requiring~~ requires
21 reimbursement for services provided by public school personnel.

22 (C) The certified behavior analyst shall file progress reports
23 with the agency semiannually. In order for treatment to continue,
24 the agency must receive objective evidence or a clinically

1 supportable statement of expectation that:

2 (i) The individual's condition is improving in response to
3 treatment; ~~and~~

4 (ii) A maximum improvement is yet to be attained; and

5 (iii) There is an expectation that the anticipated improvement
6 is attainable in a reasonable and generally predictable period of
7 time.

8 (D) On or before January 1 each year, the agency shall file an
9 annual report with the Joint Committee on Government and Finance
10 describing its implementation of the coverage provided pursuant to
11 this subdivision. The report shall include, but ~~shall~~ not be
12 limited to, the number of individuals in the plan utilizing the
13 coverage required by this subdivision, the fiscal and
14 administrative impact of the implementation and any recommendations
15 the agency may have as to changes in law or policy related to the
16 coverage provided under this subdivision. In addition, the agency
17 shall provide such other information as ~~may be~~ required by the
18 Joint Committee on Government and Finance as it may ~~from time to~~
19 ~~time~~ request.

20 (E) For purposes of this subdivision, the term:

21 (i) "Applied Behavior Analysis" means the design,
22 implementation and evaluation of environmental modifications using
23 behavioral stimuli and consequences in order to produce socially
24 significant improvement in human behavior ~~including~~ and includes

1 the use of direct observation, measurement and functional analysis
2 of the relationship between environment and behavior.

3 (ii) "Autism spectrum disorder" means any pervasive
4 developmental disorder including autistic disorder, Asperger's
5 Syndrome, Rett Syndrome, childhood disintegrative disorder or
6 Pervasive Development Disorder as defined in the most recent
7 edition of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental
8 Disorders of the American Psychiatric Association.

9 (iii) "Certified behavior analyst" means an individual who is
10 certified by the Behavior Analyst Certification Board or certified
11 by a similar nationally recognized organization.

12 (iv) "Objective evidence" means standardized patient
13 assessment instruments, outcome measurements tools or measurable
14 assessments of functional outcome. Use of objective measures at
15 the beginning of treatment, during and after treatment is
16 recommended to quantify progress and support justifications for
17 continued treatment. The tools are not required but their use will
18 enhance the justification for continued treatment.

19 (F) To the extent that the application of this subdivision for
20 autism spectrum disorder causes an increase of at least one percent
21 of actual total costs of coverage for the plan year, the agency may
22 apply additional cost containment measures.

23 (G) To the extent that the provisions of this subdivision
24 require benefits that exceed the essential health benefits

1 specified under section 1302(b) of the Patient Protection and
2 Affordable Care Act, Pub. L. No. 111-148, as amended, the specific
3 benefits that exceed the specified essential health benefits shall
4 not be required of insurance plans offered by the Public Employees
5 Insurance Agency.

6 (9) For plans that include maternity benefits, coverage for
7 the same maternity benefits for all individuals participating in or
8 receiving coverage under plans that are issued or renewed on or
9 after July 1, 2013: Provided, That to the extent that the
10 provisions of this subdivision require benefits that exceed the
11 essential health benefits specified under section 1302(b) of the
12 Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Pub. L. No. 111-148, as
13 amended, the specific benefits that exceed the specified essential
14 health benefits shall not be required of a health benefit plan when
15 the plan is offered in this state.

16 (b) The agency shall, with full authorization, make available
17 to each eligible employee, at full cost to the employee, the
18 opportunity to purchase optional group life and accidental death
19 insurance as established under the rules of the agency. In
20 addition, each employee is entitled to have his or her spouse and
21 dependents, as defined by the rules of the agency, included in the
22 optional coverage, at full cost to the employee, for each eligible
23 dependent. ~~and with full authorization to the agency to make the~~
24 ~~optional coverage available and provide an opportunity of purchase~~

1 ~~to each employee.~~

2 (c) The finance board may cause to be separately rated for
3 claims experience purposes:

4 (1) All employees of the State of West Virginia;

5 (2) All teaching and professional employees of state public
6 institutions of higher education and county boards of education;

7 (3) All nonteaching employees of the Higher Education Policy
8 Commission, West Virginia Council for Community and Technical
9 College Education and county boards of education; or

10 (4) Any other categorization which would ensure the stability
11 of the overall program.

12 (d) The agency shall maintain the medical and prescription
13 drug coverage for Medicare eligible retirees by providing coverage
14 through one of the existing plans or by enrolling the Medicare
15 eligible retired employees into a Medicare specific plan,
16 including, but not limited to, the Medicare/Advantage Prescription
17 Drug Plan. ~~In the event that~~ If a Medicare specific plan ~~would no~~
18 ~~longer be~~ is no longer available or advantageous for the agency and
19 the retirees, the retirees ~~shall~~ remain eligible for coverage
20 through the agency.

21 **CHAPTER 33. INSURANCE.**

22 **ARTICLE 15. ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE.**

23 **§33-15-4k. Maternity coverage.**

24 Notwithstanding any provision of any policy, provision,

1 contract, plan or agreement applicable to this article, any health
2 insurance policy subject to this article that provides health
3 insurance coverage for maternity services shall, on or after July
4 1, 2013, provide coverage for maternity services for all persons
5 participating in or receiving coverage under the policy. To the
6 extent that the provisions of this section require benefits that
7 exceed the essential health benefits specified under section
8 1302(b) of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Pub. L.
9 No. 111-148, as amended, the specific benefits that exceed the
10 specified essential health benefits are not required of a health
11 benefit plan when the plan is offered by a health care insurer in
12 this state. Coverage required under this section may not be
13 subject to exclusions or limitations which are not applied to other
14 maternity coverage under the policy.

15 **ARTICLE 16. GROUP ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE.**

16 **§33-16-3w. Maternity coverage.**

17 Notwithstanding any provision of any policy, provision,
18 contract, plan or agreement applicable to this article, any health
19 insurance policy subject to this article that provides health
20 insurance coverage for maternity services shall, on or after July
21 1, 2013, provide coverage for maternity services for all persons
22 participating in, or receiving coverage under the policy. To the
23 extent that the provisions of this section require benefits that
24 exceed the essential health benefits specified under section

1 1302(b) of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Pub. L.
2 No. 111-148, as amended, the specific benefits that exceed the
3 specified essential health benefits are not required of a health
4 benefit plan when the plan is offered by a health care insurer in
5 this state. Coverage required under this section may not be
6 subject to exclusions or limitations which are not applied to other
7 maternity coverage under the policy.

8 **ARTICLE 24. HOSPITAL MEDICAL AND DENTAL CORPORATIONS.**

9 **§33-24-71. Maternity coverage.**

10 Notwithstanding any provision of any policy, provision,
11 contract, plan or agreement applicable to this article, a health
12 insurance policy subject to this article that provides health
13 insurance coverage for maternity services shall, on or after July
14 1, 2013, provide coverage for maternity services for all persons
15 participating in, or receiving coverage under the policy. To the
16 extent that the provisions of this section require benefits that
17 exceed the essential health benefits specified under section
18 1302(b) of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Pub. L.
19 No. 111-148, as amended, the specific benefits that exceed the
20 specified essential health benefits are not required of a health
21 benefit plan when the plan is offered by a health care insurer in
22 this state. Coverage required under this section may not be
23 subject to exclusions or limitations which are not applied to other
24 maternity coverage under the policy.

1 **ARTICLE 25. HEALTH CARE CORPORATION.**

2 **§33-25-8i. Maternity coverage.**

3 Notwithstanding any provision of any policy, provision,
4 contract, plan or agreement applicable to this article, a health
5 insurance policy subject to this article that provides health
6 insurance coverage for maternity services shall, on or after July
7 1, 2013, provide coverage for maternity services for all persons
8 participating in, or receiving coverage under the policy. To the
9 extent that the provisions of this section require benefits that
10 exceed the essential health benefits specified under section
11 1302(b) of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Pub. L.
12 No. 111-148, as amended, the specific benefits that exceed the
13 specified essential health benefits are not required of a health
14 benefit plan when the plan is offered by a health care insurer in
15 this state. Coverage required under this section may not be
16 subject to exclusions or limitations which are not applied to other
17 maternity coverage under the policy.

18 **ARTICLE 25A. HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION ACT.**

19 **§33-25A-8k. Maternity coverage.**

20 Notwithstanding any provision of any policy, provision,
21 contract, plan or agreement applicable to this article, a health
22 insurance policy subject to this article that provides health
23 insurance coverage for maternity services shall, on or after July
24 1, 2013, provide coverage for maternity services for all persons

1 participating in, or receiving coverage under the policy. To the
2 extent that the provisions of this section require benefits that
3 exceed the essential health benefits specified under section
4 1302(b) of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Pub. L.
5 No. 111-148, as amended, the specific benefits that exceed the
6 specified essential health benefits are not required of a health
7 benefit plan when the plan is offered by a health care insurer in
8 this state. Coverage required under this section may not be
9 subject to exclusions or limitations which are not applied to other
10 maternity coverage under the policy.

(NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to require health insurers to cover maternity services for all individuals who are participating in or receiving coverage under a policyholder's health insurance plan if those services are covered under the policy. It is not the purpose of the bill to exceed the essential health benefits specified under section 1302(b) of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. Under current West Virginia law, health insurers are not required to cover maternity services for dependents.

§33-15-4k, §33-16-3w, §33-24-7l, §33-25-8i and §33-25A-8k are new; therefore, strike-throughs and underscoring have been omitted.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from the present law, and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.)