WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

2024 FIRST EXTRAORDINARY SESSION

Introduced

House Bill 116

By Delegate Williams

[Introduced May 19, 2024; Referred

to the Committee on Health and Human Resources

then Finance]

- 1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,
- 2 designated §5-16-7h, relating to authorizing the Public Employee Insurance Agency to
- 3 provide insurance coverage for certain prescribed weight loss medications.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 16. WEST VIRGINIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES INSURANCE ACT.

§5-16-7h. Coverage of weight loss medications.

1 <u>A policy, plan or contract that is issued or renewed on or after July 1, 2024, shall provide</u>

2 <u>coverage for prescription of GLP-1 agonist medications when prescribed for weight loss.</u>

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to require the PEIA to reimburse covered persons for GLP-1 agonist medications prescribed by a physician for weight loss.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.