SENATE BILL 5725

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By Senator Keiser

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1 AN ACT Relating to organ transplant lifetime limits; and adding a 2 new section to chapter 48.43 RCW.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 48.43 RCW 5 to read as follows:

6 (1) A health benefit plan that is issued or renewed on or after 7 January 1, 2010, and that provides coverage for organ transplants, may 8 not permit a separate lifetime limit on transplants. Benefits provided 9 are subject to all other terms and conditions of the health benefit 10 plan, including but not limited to any applicable coinsurances, 11 deductibles, and copayments.

12 (2) "Organ transplant" means the same as defined under the13 applicable health benefit plan.

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