FINAL BILL REPORT SSB 5546

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Concerning insulin affordability.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Health & Long Term Care (originally sponsored by Senators Keiser, Van De Wege, Cleveland, Conway, Frockt, Hasegawa, Hunt, Lovick, Nguyen, Pedersen, Randall, Stanford and Wilson, C.).

Senate Committee on Health & Long Term Care House Committee on Health Care & Wellness

Background: In 2020, the Legislature directed health plans, beginning January 1, 2021, to limit an enrollee's out-of-pocket expenses for insulin to \$100 for a 30-day supply. The out-of-pocket limit is set to expire on January 1, 2023.

Summary: Beginning January 1, 2023, health plans must cap the total amount an enrollee is required to pay for a covered insulin drug at an amount not to exceed \$35 per 30-day supply. This limit expires on January 1, 2024.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate 48 1 House 85 10

Effective: June 9, 2022

January 1, 2023 (Section 1)

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