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HOUSE BILL 1608

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By Representatives Cody, Dickerson, Wood, Ogden, Conway, Costa, Tokuda, Butler and Cole

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to medicare supplemental insurance policies; and
- 2 adding a new section to chapter 48.66 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 48.66 RCW 5 to read as follows:
- 6 Beginning January 1, 1998, no medicare supplemental insurance
- 7 policy or certificate providing coverage to any Washington resident may
- 8 be issued if it denies or conditions the effectiveness of coverage
- 9 during the first twelve months after the insured was first covered by
- 10 a policy or plan of a health maintenance organization, health care
- 11 service contractor, or other direct service organization that provides
- 12 benefits or services under a contract or agreement issued pursuant to
- 13 section 1876 or section 1833 of the federal social security act (42
- 14 U.S.C. Sec. 1395 et seq.).

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