

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**SENATE BILL 5912**

Chapter 115, Laws of 2018

65th Legislature  
2018 Regular Session

TOMOSYNTHESIS AND THREE-DIMENSIONAL MAMMOGRAPHY--INSURANCE COVERAGE

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 7, 2018

Passed by the Senate January 31, 2018  
Yeas 44 Nays 4

CYRUS HABIB

**President of the Senate**

Passed by the House February 27, 2018  
Yeas 95 Nays 2

FRANK CHOPP

**Speaker of the House of Representatives**

Approved March 21, 2018 10:40 AM

JAY INSLEE

**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

I, Brad Hendrickson, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SENATE BILL 5912** as passed by Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

BRAD HENDRICKSON

**Secretary**

FILED

March 23, 2018

**Secretary of State  
State of Washington**

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**By** Senators Kuderer, Rivers, Cleveland, Walsh, Conway, Mullet, Keiser, and Hasegawa

Read first time 03/29/17. Referred to Committee on Health Care.

1       AN ACT Relating to insurance coverage of tomosynthesis or three-  
2 dimensional mammography; and adding a new section to chapter 48.43  
3 RCW.

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

5       NEW SECTION.   **Sec. 1.**   A new section is added to chapter 48.43  
6 RCW to read as follows:

7       (1) Digital breast tomosynthesis, also called three-dimensional  
8 mammography, is the latest advancement in breast imaging. Studies  
9 indicate that digital breast tomosynthesis can result in a forty-one  
10 percent increase in invasive cancer detection, a fifteen percent  
11 decrease in the recall rate from screening mammography, and a twenty-  
12 nine percent increase in the detection of all breast cancers. In  
13 addition, the American college of radiology has indicated that  
14 tomosynthesis is no longer investigational. Therefore, it is the  
15 intent of the legislature to ensure women have access to the most  
16 effective breast imaging and to clarify that the existing mandate for  
17 mammography must include tomosynthesis.

18       (2) The legislature directs the office of the insurance  
19 commissioner to clarify that the existing mandates for mammography in  
20 RCW 48.20.393, 48.21.225, 48.44.325, and 48.46.275 include coverage  
21 for tomosynthesis under the same terms and conditions currently

1 allowed for mammography. The application of a deductible and cost  
2 sharing is prohibited, consistent with 42 U.S.C. Sec. 300-gg-13.

3 (3) The legislature also directs the health care authority to  
4 clarify that the existing mandate for mammography in RCW 41.05.180  
5 includes coverage for tomosynthesis under the same terms and  
6 conditions currently allowed for mammography. The application of a  
7 deductible and cost sharing is prohibited, consistent with 42 U.S.C.  
8 Sec. 300-gg-13.

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