

SSB 6188 - H COMM AMD
By Committee on Appropriations

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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 41.05 RCW
4 to read as follows:

5 (1) Each plan offered to public employees and their covered
6 dependents under this chapter that is not subject to the provisions of
7 Title 48 RCW and is issued or renewed after December 31, 2006, shall
8 provide coverage for prostate cancer screening, provided that the
9 screening is delivered upon the recommendation of the patient's
10 physician, advanced registered nurse practitioner, or physician
11 assistant.

12 (2) This section shall not be construed to prevent the application
13 of standard policy provisions applicable to other benefits, such as
14 deductible or copayment provisions. This section does not limit the
15 authority of the health care authority to negotiate rates and contract
16 with specific providers for the delivery of prostate cancer screening
17 services. This section shall not apply to medicare supplemental
18 policies or supplemental contracts covering a specified disease or
19 other limited benefits.

20 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 48.20 RCW
21 to read as follows:

22 (1) Each disability insurance policy issued or renewed after
23 December 31, 2006, that provides coverage for hospital or medical
24 expenses shall provide coverage for prostate cancer screening, provided
25 that the screening is delivered upon the recommendation of the
26 patient's physician, advanced registered nurse practitioner, or
27 physician assistant.

28 (2) This section shall not be construed to prevent the application
29 of standard policy provisions applicable to other benefits, such as

1 deductible or copayment provisions. This section does not limit the
2 authority of an insurer to negotiate rates and contract with specific
3 providers for the delivery of prostate cancer screening services. This
4 section shall not apply to medicare supplemental policies or
5 supplemental contracts covering a specified disease or other limited
6 benefits.

7 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 48.21 RCW
8 to read as follows:

9 (1) Each group disability insurance policy issued or renewed after
10 December 31, 2006, that provides coverage for hospital or medical
11 expenses shall provide coverage for prostate cancer screening, provided
12 that the screening is delivered upon the recommendation of the
13 patient's physician, advanced registered nurse practitioner, or
14 physician assistant.

15 (2) This section shall not be construed to prevent the application
16 of standard policy provisions applicable to other benefits, such as
17 deductible or copayment provisions. This section does not limit the
18 authority of an insurer to negotiate rates and contract with specific
19 providers for the delivery of prostate cancer screening services. This
20 section shall not apply to medicare supplemental policies or
21 supplemental contracts covering a specified disease or other limited
22 benefits.

23 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 48.44 RCW
24 to read as follows:

25 (1) Each health care service contract issued or renewed after
26 December 31, 2006, that provides coverage for hospital or medical
27 expenses shall provide coverage for prostate cancer screening, provided
28 that the screening is delivered upon the recommendation of the
29 patient's physician, advanced registered nurse practitioner, or
30 physician assistant.

31 (2) This section shall not be construed to prevent the application
32 of standard policy provisions applicable to other benefits, such as
33 deductible or copayment provisions. This section does not limit the
34 authority of a contractor to negotiate rates and contract with specific
35 providers for the delivery of prostate cancer screening services. This

1 section shall not apply to medicare supplemental policies or
2 supplemental contracts covering a specified disease or other limited
3 benefits.

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** A new section is added to chapter 48.46 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) Each health maintenance agreement issued or renewed after
7 December 31, 2006, that provides coverage for hospital or medical
8 expenses shall provide coverage for prostate cancer screening, provided
9 that the screening is delivered upon the recommendation of the
10 patient's physician, advanced registered nurse practitioner, or
11 physician assistant.

12 (2) All services must be provided by the health maintenance
13 organization or rendered upon a referral by the health maintenance
14 organization.

15 (3) This section shall not be construed to prevent the application
16 of standard policy provisions applicable to other benefits, such as
17 deductible or copayment provisions. This section does not limit the
18 authority of a health maintenance organization to negotiate rates and
19 contract with specific providers for the delivery of prostate cancer
20 screening services. This section shall not apply to medicare
21 supplemental policies or supplemental contracts covering a specified
22 disease or other limited benefits.

23 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6.** A new section is added to chapter 48.125 RCW
24 to read as follows:

25 (1) Each self-funded multiple employer welfare arrangement
26 established, operated, providing benefits, or maintained in this state
27 after December 31, 2006, that provides coverage for hospital or medical
28 expenses shall provide coverage for prostate cancer screening, provided
29 that the screening is delivered upon the recommendation of the
30 patient's physician, advanced registered nurse practitioner, or
31 physician assistant.

32 (2) This section shall not be construed to prevent the application
33 of standard policy provisions applicable to other benefits, such as
34 deductible or copayment provisions. This section does not limit the
35 authority of a self-funded multiple employer welfare arrangement to

1 negotiate rates and contract with specific providers for the delivery
2 of prostate cancer screening services.

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 7.** A new section is added to chapter 70.47 RCW
4 to read as follows:

5 (1) Any schedule of benefits established or renewed by the
6 Washington basic health plan after December 31, 2006, shall provide
7 coverage for prostate cancer screening, provided that the screening is
8 delivered upon the recommendation of the patient's physician, advanced
9 registered nurse practitioner, or physician assistant.

10 (2) This section shall not be construed to prevent the application
11 of standard policy provisions applicable to other benefits, such as
12 deductible or copayment provisions. This section does not limit the
13 authority of the health care authority to negotiate rates and contract
14 with specific providers for the delivery of prostate cancer screening
15 services.

16 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 8.** A new section is added to chapter 74.09 RCW
17 to read as follows:

18 The department shall provide coverage for prostate cancer screening
19 under this chapter, provided that the screening is delivered upon the
20 recommendation of the patient's physician, advanced registered nurse
21 practitioner, or physician assistant."

22 Correct the title.

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