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2 By Representative Braddock

3 On page 12, after line 10, insert:

4 **Sec. 6.** RCW 41.05.011, 1990 c 222 s 2 and 1988 c 107 s 3 are  
5 each amended to read as follows:

6 **Definitions.** Unless the context clearly requires otherwise,  
7 the definitions in this section shall apply throughout this  
8 chapter.

9 (1) "Administrator" means the administrator of the authority.

10 (2) "State purchased health care" or "health care" means  
11 medical and health care, pharmaceuticals, and medical equipment  
12 purchased with state and federal funds by the department of social  
13 and health services, the department of health, the basic health  
14 plan, the state health care authority, the department of labor and  
15 industries, the department of corrections, the department of  
16 veterans affairs, and local school districts.

17 (3) "Authority" means the Washington state health care  
18 authority.

19 (4) "Insuring entity" means an insurance carrier as defined in  
20 chapter 48.21 or 48.22 RCW, a health care service contractor as  
21 defined in chapter 48.44 RCW, or a health maintenance organization  
22 as defined in chapter 48.46 RCW.

23 (5) "Flexible benefit plan" means a benefit plan that allows  
24 employees to choose the level of health care coverage provided and

1 the amount of employee contributions from among a range of choices  
2 offered by the authority.

3 (6) "Employee" includes all full-time and career seasonal  
4 employees of the state, whether or not covered by civil service;  
5 elected and appointed officials of the executive branch of  
6 government, including full-time members of boards, commissions, or  
7 committees; and includes any or all part-time and temporary  
8 employees under the terms and conditions established under this  
9 chapter by the authority; justices of the supreme court and judges  
10 of the court of appeals and the superior courts; and members of the  
11 state legislature, whose benefits shall be subject to section 7 of  
12 this chapter, or of the legislative authority of any county, city,  
13 or town who are elected to office after February 20, 1970.  
14 "Employee" also includes employees of a county, municipality, or  
15 other political subdivision of the state if the legislative  
16 authority of the county, municipality, or other political  
17 subdivision of the state seeks and receives the approval of the  
18 authority to provide any of its insurance programs by contract with  
19 the authority, as provided in RCW 41.04.205, and employees of a  
20 school district if the board of directors of the school district  
21 seeks and receives the approval of the authority to provide any of  
22 its insurance programs by contract with the authority as provided  
23 in RCW 28A.400.350.

24 (7) "Board" means the state employees' benefits board  
25 established under RCW 41.05.055.

1           **NEW SECTION.** **Sec. 7.** (1) Beginning January 11, 1993, members  
2 of the state legislature, elected on or after November 3, 1992,  
3 shall receive their health care benefits specifically authorized by  
4 RCW 41.05.065 exclusively as an enrollee in the basic health plan  
5 created by chapter 70.47 RCW.

6           (2) Legislative member health care benefits shall be the same  
7 as those of subsidized basic health plan enrollees.

8           (3) Legislative member contribution shall range from fifteen  
9 percent to seventy-five percent of the premium rate paid by  
10 enrollees determined according to a sliding scale based on family  
11 size, age of family members, gross family income, and geographic  
12 location.

EFFECT: Requires legislative members to receive their health benefits through the Washington State Basic Health Plan.