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HOUSE FILE 2075

H-8025

1 Amend House File 2075 as follows:
2 1. Page 1, line 23, after "c." by inserting "(1)"
3 2. Page 1, by striking lines 27 and 28 and
4 inserting "were receiving standard cancer treatment."
5 3. Page 1, before line 29 by inserting:
6 "(2) "Routine patient care costs" does not include
7 any of the following:"
8 4. Page 1, line 29, by striking "(1)" and inserting
9 "(a)"
10 5. Page 1, line 33, by striking "(2)" and inserting
11 "(b)"
12 6. Page 2, line 1, by striking "(3)" and inserting
13 "(c)"
14 7. Page 2, line 3, by striking "(4)" and inserting
15 "(d)"
16 8. Page 2, line 6, by striking "(5)" and inserting
17 "(e)"
18 9. Page 2, line 10, by striking "(6)" and inserting
19 "(f)"
20 10. Page 2, line 12, by striking "(7)" and
21 inserting "(g)"
22 11. Page 2, line 16, by striking "(8)" and
23 inserting "(h)"
24 12. Page 2, line 21, by striking "(9)" and
25 inserting "(i)"
26 13. Page 2, after line 23 by inserting:
27 "(j) Costs of extras treatments, services,
28 procedures, tests, or drugs that would not be performed
29 or administered except for participation in the
30 cancer clinical trial. Nothing in this subparagraph
31 subdivision shall limit payment for treatments,
32 services, procedures, tests, or drugs that are
33 otherwise a covered benefit under subparagraph (1)."
34 14. By striking page 3, line 34, through page 4,
35 line 2.
36 15. By renumbering as necessary.

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HOUSE FILE 234

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1 Amend House File 234 as follows:

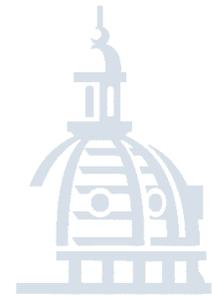
2 1. By striking everything after the enacting clause
3 and inserting:

4 "Section 1. HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR MENTAL
5 HEALTH CONDITIONS -- INTENT. It is the intent of the
6 general assembly to require health insurance coverage
7 for costs relating to mental health conditions,
8 including alcohol or substance abuse treatment
9 services."

10 2. Title page, line 1, by striking "requiring"
11 and inserting "expressing the intent of the general
12 assembly to require"

COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES
SMITH of Marshall, Chairperson

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HF 2075 – Cancer Clinical Trials, Insurance Coverage (LSB 5238HV)
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Description

House File 2075 requires health care policies to provide coverage benefits for routine patient costs incurred for cancer treatment in an approved cancer clinical trial to the same extent that the policy covers other conditions. The Bill specifies that only routine patient care costs are covered and provides instances of treatments that are not covered. The Bill sets requirements outlining the scope of the costs to be covered as well as the definition of an approved cancer trial.

Background

The legislation would apply only to State plans and not Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA) health plans. Wellmark Blue Cross and Blue Shield, the current provider of State health insurance plans, covers cancer clinical trials for conditions that are life threatening or to prevent severe disability. The hawk-i Program has two participating health plans, Wellmark Blue Cross and Blue Shield and United HealthCare. Both of these plans pay for patient care costs that they would otherwise pay if the patient was not participating in a clinical trial.

Assumptions

The Bill would not result in an increase in costs incurred for expenditures related to providing health benefits for State employees because the Bill would require the State plans to continue to pay for routine care costs.

Fiscal Impact

There is not sufficient data from the insurance industry about the potential costs associated with this Bill. The fiscal impact cannot be determined at this time.

Sources

Department of Human Services
Iowa Insurance Division
Legislative Services Agency
Wellmark Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Iowa

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The fiscal note for this bill was prepared pursuant to [Joint Rule 17](#). Data used in developing this fiscal note is available from the Fiscal Services Division of the Legislative Services Agency upon request.
