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SENATE FILE 489
BY COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES

(SUCCESSOR TO SF 199)

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act requiring third-party payor coverage for diagnostic
2 screening for prostate cancer.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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S.F. 489

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 514C.13 PROSTATE CANCER
2 SCREENING AND DIAGNOSIS BENEFITS.

3 1. Notwithstanding section 514C.6, a person who provides
4 an individual or group policy of accident or health insurance
5 or individual or group hospital or health care service
6 contract issued pursuant to chapter 509, 509A, 514, or 514A,
7 or an individual or group health maintenance organization
8 contract issued and regulated under chapter 514B, which is
9 delivered, amended, or renewed on or after July 1, 1997, shall
10 provide coverage for medically recognized diagnostic screening
11 for prostate cancer. The coverage shall be provided for
12 diagnostic screening services provided upon the recommendation
13 of a physician and shall include, but not be limited to, both
14 of the following:

15 a. A digital rectal examination and prostate-specific
16 antigen test at any age for covered persons having a prior
17 history of prostate cancer.

18 b. An annual examination including a digital rectal
19 examination and prostate-specific antigen test for each of the
20 following classifications:

21 (1) Asymptomatic men, aged fifty or older.

22 (2) African-American men, aged forty or older.

23 (3) Men with a family history of prostate cancer, aged
24 forty or older.

25 2. Preauthorization or precertification for benefits
26 provided under the coverage provided under this section shall
27 not be required.

28 EXPLANATION

29 This bill requires a person who provides an individual or
30 group policy of accident or health insurance or individual or
31 group hospital or health care service contract, or an
32 individual or group health maintenance organization contract,
33 which is delivered, amended, or renewed on or after July 1,
34 1997, to provide coverage for diagnostic screening for
35 prostate cancer. The bill provides that preauthorization or

1 precertification for benefits provided under such coverage
2 shall not be required.

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