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A BILL FOR

1 An Act requiring health insurance coverage for certain dependent
2 children who are full-time students.

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

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1 1 Section 1. **NEW SECTION.** 514C.23 COVERAGE OF STUDENTS.

1 2 1. Notwithstanding the uniformity of treatment
1 3 requirements of section 514C.6, a policy or contract providing
1 4 for third-party payment or prepayment of health or medical
1 5 expenses, which provides coverage for dependent children of an
1 6 insured or subscriber beyond the age of eighteen years if the
1 7 child is a full-time student, shall include coverage during a
1 8 dependent's medically necessary leave of absence from school
1 9 for a period not to exceed twelve months or until the date on
1 10 which coverage would otherwise end pursuant to the terms and
1 11 conditions of the policy or contract, or until the date the
1 12 dependent becomes twenty-five years old, whichever comes
1 13 first. Entitlement to coverage under this section shall be
1 14 established by submitting documentation and certification of
1 15 medical necessity to the insurer from the student's attending
1 16 physician.

1 17 2. a. This section applies to the following classes of
1 18 third-party payment provider contracts or policies delivered,
1 19 issued for delivery, continued, or renewed in this state on or
1 20 after July 1, 2006:

1 21 (1) Individual or group accident and sickness insurance
1 22 providing coverage on an expense-incurred basis.

1 23 (2) Any individual or group hospital or medical service

1 24 contract issued pursuant to chapter 509, 514, or 514A.

1 25 (3) Any individual or group health maintenance organization
1 26 contract regulated under chapter 514B.

1 27 (4) Any other entity engaged in the business of insurance,
1 28 risk transfer, or risk retention, which is subject to the
1 29 jurisdiction of the commissioner.

1 30 (5) A plan established pursuant to chapter 509A for public
1 31 employees.

1 32 (6) An organized delivery system licensed by the director
1 33 of public health.

1 34 b. This section shall not apply to accident=only,
1 35 specified disease, short=term hospital or medical, hospital
2 1 confinement indemnity, credit, dental, vision, Medicare
2 2 supplement, long=term care, basic hospital and medical=
2 3 surgical expense coverage as defined by the commissioner,
2 4 disability income insurance coverage, coverage issued as a
2 5 supplement to liability insurance, workers' compensation or
2 6 similar insurance, or automobile medical payment insurance, or
2 7 individual accident and sickness policies issued to
2 8 individuals or to individual members of a member association.

2 9 EXPLANATION

2 10 This bill requires health insurance coverage for certain
2 11 dependent children who are full=time students.

2 12 The bill provides that a policy or contract providing for
2 13 third=party payment or prepayment of health or medical
2 14 expenses, which provides coverage for dependent children of an
2 15 insured or subscriber beyond the age of 18 years if the child
2 16 is a full=time student, shall include coverage during a
2 17 dependent's medically necessary leave of absence from school
2 18 for a period not to exceed 12 months or until the date on
2 19 which coverage would otherwise end pursuant to the terms and
2 20 conditions of the policy, or until the date the dependent
2 21 becomes 25 years old, whichever comes first. The bill
2 22 provides that entitlement to the coverage must be established
2 23 by submitting documentation and certification of medical
2 24 necessity to the insurer from the student's treating
2 25 physician.

2 26 The coverage requirement applies to third=party payment
2 27 provider contracts or policies that are individual or group
2 28 accident and sickness insurance providing coverage on an
2 29 expense=incurred basis; individual or group hospital or

2 30 medical service contracts issued pursuant to Code chapter 509,
2 31 514, or 514A; individual or group health maintenance
2 32 organization contracts regulated under Code chapter 514B;
2 33 other entities engaged in the business of insurance, risk
2 34 transfer, or risk retention, which are subject to the
2 35 jurisdiction of the commissioner; plans established pursuant
3 1 to Code chapter 509A for public employees; and organized
3 2 delivery systems licensed by the director of public health.

3 3 The bill requirements are applicable to such contracts or
3 4 policies delivered, issued for delivery, continued, or renewed
3 5 in this state on or after July 1, 2006.

3 6 The bill requirements do not apply to accident=only,
3 7 specified disease, short=term hospital or medical, hospital
3 8 confinement indemnity, credit, dental, vision, Medicare
3 9 supplement, long=term care, basic hospital and medical=
3 10 surgical expense coverage as defined by the commissioner,
3 11 disability income insurance coverage, coverage issued as a
3 12 supplement to liability insurance, workers' compensation or
3 13 similar insurance, automobile medical payment insurance, or
3 14 individual accident and sickness policies issued to
3 15 individuals or to individual members of a member association.

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