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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to osteoporosis; amending s.
627.6409, F.S.; expanding the required
insurance coverage for osteoporosis-related
matters; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Section 627.6409, Florida Statutes, is
amended to read:

627.6409 Coverage for osteoporosis screening,
diagnosis, treatment, and management.--Any health insurance
policy that covers a resident of this state and that is
issued, amended, delivered, or renewed in this state after
October 1, 1996, must provide coverage for the medically
necessary diagnosis and treatment of osteoporosis for
high-risk individuals, including, but not limited to,
estrogen-deficient individuals who are at clinical risk for
osteoporosis, individuals who have vertebral abnormalities,
individuals who are receiving long-term glucocorticoid
(steroid) therapy, individuals who have primary
hyperparathyroidism, and individuals who have a family history
of osteoporosis. Such treatment must provide coverage for
bone-mass density tests when deemed medically necessary.This
section does not apply to specified-accident,
specified-disease, hospital-indemnity, Medicare supplement, or
long-term-care health insurance policies or to the state
employee health insurance program.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 1999.

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SENATE SUMMARY

Expands required insurance coverage for
osteoporosis-related matters to include coverage for
bone-mass density tests when medically necessary.