## Florida Senate - 2000

SB 1882

By Senator Dawson

	30-917-00
1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to natural hormone replacement
3	therapy; providing intent; requiring managed
4	care providers and medical insurers to
5	reimburse patients who choose such therapy;
6	providing guidelines; providing an effective
7	date.
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9	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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11	Section 1. Natural hormone replacement therapy; right
12	to reimbursement
13	(1) The purpose of this act is to ensure that women
14	are given the option to choose natural hormone replacement
15	therapy, which is a drug prescribed by a physician and
16	compounded (composed or combined) by a compounding pharmacist,
17	and to have this option reimbursed by insurance companies.
18	(2) A woman who contracts with any managed care
19	provider or medical insurer in this state may choose to take
20	natural hormone replacement therapy if such therapy is
21	prescribed by a physician and compounded by a pharmacist. If
22	the patient chooses natural hormone replacement therapy, the
23	managed care provider or insurance company must reimburse her
24	for the costs and expenses associated with taking the natural
25	hormone replacement therapy, in the same proportion that
26	reimbursement is provided under the managed care plan or
27	insurance contract for any alternative treatment that
28	addresses substantially the same medical condition or
29	conditions.
30	Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2000.
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2	SENATE SUMMARY
3	Requires managed care providers and medical insurers to
4	Requires managed care providers and medical insurers to reimburse women patients who choose to take natural hormone replacement therapy that is prescribed by a physician and compounded by a pharmacist.
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