

By Senator Latvala

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to health insurance; amending
3 s. 627.6685, F.S.; exempting the state employee
4 health insurance program from mental health
5 coverage requirements; repealing s.
6 627.6685(5), F.S., which provides that s.
7 627.6685, F.S., does not apply to benefits
8 provided on or after a specified date;
9 providing an effective date.

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

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13 Section 1. Paragraph (c) is added to subsection (3) of
14 section 627.6685, Florida Statutes, to read:

15 627.6685 Mental health coverage.--

16 (3) EXEMPTIONS.--

17 (a) This section does not apply to any group health
18 plan, or group health insurance coverage offered in connection
19 with a group health plan, for any plan year of a small
20 employer as defined in s. 627.6699.21 (b) This section does not apply with respect to a
22 group health plan, or health insurance coverage offered in
23 connection with a group health plan, if the application of
24 this section to such plan or coverage results in an increase
25 in the cost under the plan or for such coverage of at least 1
26 percent.27 (c) This section does not apply to the state employee
28 health insurance program.29 Section 2. Subsection (5) of section 627.6685, Florida
30 Statutes, is repealed.

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1 Section 3. This act shall take effect September 30,
2 2001.

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5 SENATE SUMMARY

6 Provides that s. 627.6685, F.S., relating to mental
7 health insurance coverage, does not apply to the state
8 employee health insurance program. Repeals s.
9 627.6685(5), F.S., which specifies that s. 627.6685,
F.S., does not apply to benefits for services furnished
on or after September 30, 2001.

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