

By the Council for Competitive Commerce and Representative  
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1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to mandated health benefit  
3           coverages; requiring the Office of Legislative  
4           Services to contract for completion of a report  
5           on existing mandated health insurance benefit  
6           coverages; specifying report review  
7           requirements; requiring a report to the  
8           Legislature; providing an effective date.  
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10 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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12           Section 1. (1) Using a portion of the funds made  
13 available in Specific Appropriation 2556 in the General  
14 Appropriations Act for fiscal year 2001-2002, the Office of  
15 Legislative Services shall contract for the completion of a  
16 report assessing the impact of the following existing mandated  
17 health benefit coverages:

- 18           (a) Bone marrow transplants.  
19           (b) Cancer drugs.  
20           (c) Child health supervision services.  
21           (d) Cleft lip and cleft palate for children.  
22           (e) Dental procedures for children: general anesthesia  
23 and hospitalization.  
24           (f) Diabetes treatment.  
25           (g) Emergency care.  
26           (h) Extension of major medical benefits.  
27           (i) HIV coverage.  
28           (j) Home health care services.  
29           (k) Mammograms.  
30           (l) Mastectomy:  
31           1. Length of stay and outpatient coverage.

1           2. Surgical procedures and devices.  
2           (m) Maternity: length of stay and postdelivery care.  
3           (n) Obstetrical and gynecological annual visits.  
4           (o) Osteoporosis diagnosis and treatment.  
5           (p) Out-of-hospital services.  
6           (q) Temporomandibular joint disease.  
7           (r) Newborn hearing screening.  
8           (2) Such review shall include:  
9           (a) Those elements for review as specified in s.  
10 624.215(2), Florida Statutes, relating to proposals for  
11 legislation which would mandate health benefit coverage and  
12 review by the Legislature, to what extent the mandated health  
13 benefit coverage is part of self-insured plans offered in this  
14 state or federally funded programs such as those offered to  
15 employees of the United States Postal Service and employees of  
16 the Federal Government, to what extent such mandated health  
17 benefit coverages are available as part of large group plans  
18 versus small group plans, and recent state and federal court  
19 and administrative rulings regarding such issues.  
20           (b) The nature of those services being used by those  
21 insured persons who currently have a health coverage benefit,  
22 including what is included in such coverage, the conditions  
23 for which coverage is included, the extent to which such  
24 covered persons reach any applicable annual or lifetime  
25 benefit cap, utilization and authorization guidelines  
26 applicable to such coverage, and inclusion of treatment  
27 medications and guidelines applicable to medication coverage.  
28           (3) Such contract shall be executed by August 1, 2002,  
29 and the report shall be submitted to the President of the  
30 Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by  
31 April 1, 2003.

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