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The Committee on Banking and Insurance (Wilson) recommended the following amendment:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Delete everything after the enacting clause

and insert:

Section 1. Section 627.64091, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

627.64091 Coverage for prostate cancer screening.--

(1) A health insurance policy providing coverage to a man age 40 or older must provide coverage for annual screening for prostate cancer for such a man in accordance with the prostate cancer early detection guidelines of the National Comprehensive Cancer Network. The coverage may not be subject to any deductible provision in the policy.

(2) The coverage for prostate cancer screening shall consist, at a minimum, of the following tests:

(a) Prostate-specific antigen blood test; and

(b) Digital rectal examination.

(3) If a licensed medical practitioner recommends that

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1 an insured undergo a prostate-specific antigen blood test,  
2 coverage may not be denied because that person previously had  
3 a digital rectal exam and the exam results were negative.

4 (4) The benefits required by this section do not limit  
5 diagnostic benefits otherwise allowable under the policy.

6 Section 2. Paragraph (c) of subsection (2) of section  
7 627.6515, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

8 627.6515 Out-of-state groups.--

9 (2) Except as otherwise provided in this part, this  
10 part does not apply to a group health insurance policy issued  
11 or delivered outside this state under which a resident of this  
12 state is provided coverage if:

13 (c) The policy provides the benefits specified in ss.  
14 627.419, 627.6418, 627.6574, 627.6575, 627.6579, 627.6612,  
15 627.66121, 627.66122, 627.6613, 627.667, 627.6675, 627.6691,  
16 and 627.66911.

17 Section 3. Section 627.6418, Florida Statutes, is  
18 created to read:

19 627.6418 Coverage for prostate cancer screening.--

20 (1) A group health insurance policy which provides  
21 coverage to a man age 40 or older must provide coverage for  
22 annual screening for prostate cancer for such a man in  
23 accordance with the prostate cancer early detection guidelines  
24 of the National Comprehensive Cancer Network. The coverage may  
25 not be subject to any deductible provision in the policy.

26 (2) The coverage for prostate cancer screening shall  
27 consist, at a minimum, of the following tests:

28 (a) Prostate-specific antigen blood test; and

29 (b) Digital rectal examination.

30 (3) If a licensed medical practitioner recommends that  
31 an insured undergo a prostate-specific antigen blood test,

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1 coverage may not be denied because that person previously had  
2 a digital rectal exam and the exam results were negative.

3 (4) The benefits required by this section do not limit  
4 diagnostic benefits otherwise allowable under the policy.

5 Section 4. Subsection (41) is added to section 641.31,  
6 Florida Statutes, to read:

7 641.31 Health maintenance contracts.--

8 (41)(a) A health maintenance organization contract  
9 which provides coverage to a man age 40 or older must provide  
10 coverage for annual screening for prostate cancer for such a  
11 man in accordance with the prostate cancer early detection  
12 guidelines of the National Comprehensive Cancer Network. The  
13 coverage may not be subject to any deductible provision in the  
14 contract.

15 (b) The coverage for prostate cancer screening shall  
16 consist, at a minimum, of the following tests:

- 17 1. Prostate-specific antigen blood test; and
- 18 2. Digital rectal examination.

19 (c) If a licensed medical practitioner recommends that  
20 a subscriber undergo a prostate-specific antigen blood test,  
21 coverage may not be denied because that person previously had  
22 a digital rectal exam and the exam results were negative.

23 (d) The benefits required by this subsection do not  
24 limit diagnostic benefits otherwise allowable under the  
25 contract.

26 Section 5. The Legislature finds that the provisions  
27 of this act fulfill an important state interest.

28 Section 6. This act shall take effect January 1, 2008,  
29 and shall apply to policies or contracts issued or renewed on  
30 or after that date.

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2 And the title is amended as follows:

3           Delete everything before the enacting clause

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5 and insert:

6                           A bill to be entitled

7           An act relating to health insurance; creating

8           ss. 627.64091 and 627.6418, F.S., and amending

9           s. 641.31, F.S.; requiring that health

10          insurance policies, group health insurance

11          policies, and health maintenance contracts

12          provide coverage for an annual screening for

13          prostate cancer for men of a specified age or

14          older; providing requirements for the

15          screening; providing that coverage for prostate

16          cancer screening does not limit diagnostic

17          benefits otherwise allowed under the policy;

18          amending s. 627.6515, F.S.; providing for the

19          benefit requirement to apply to a group health

20          insurance policy issued or delivered outside

21          the state; providing a finding that the act

22          fulfills an important state interest; providing

23          for application of the act; providing an

24          effective date.

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