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CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

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1 The Committee on Banking and Insurance (Posey) recommended the  
2 following **amendment**:

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4 **Senate Amendment (with directory and title amendments)**

5 Between line(s) 98 and 99,  
6 insert:

7 Section 5. Subsection (1) of section 627.6741, Florida  
8 Statutes, is amended to read:

9 627.6741 Issuance, cancellation, nonrenewal, and  
10 replacement.--

11 (1) An insurer issuing Medicare supplement policies in this  
12 state shall offer the opportunity of enrolling in a Medicare  
13 supplement policy, without conditioning the issuance or  
14 effectiveness of the policy on, and without discriminating in the  
15 price of the policy based on, the medical or health status or  
16 receipt of health care by the individual:



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17 (a) To any individual who is 65 years of age or older and  
 18 who resides in this state, upon the request of the individual  
 19 during the 6-month period beginning with the first month in which  
 20 the individual has attained 65 years of age and is enrolled in  
 21 Medicare part B; ~~or~~

22 (b) To any individual who is 65 years of age or older and  
 23 is enrolled in Medicare part B, who resides in this state, upon  
 24 the request of the individual during the 2-month period following  
 25 termination of coverage under a group health insurance policy;  
 26 or-

27 (c) To any individual who resides in this state, who is  
 28 eligible for Medicare due to having end-stage renal disease, and  
 29 who is enrolled in Medicare part B, upon the request of the  
 30 individual within 6 months after becoming eligible for Medicare,  
 31 or by January 1, 2009, whichever is later.

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 33 A Medicare supplement policy issued to an individual under  
 34 paragraph (a) or paragraph (b) may not exclude benefits based on  
 35 a preexisting condition if the individual has a continuous period  
 36 of creditable coverage, as defined in s. 627.6561(5), of at least  
 37 6 months as of the date of application for coverage.

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 39 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

40 And the title is amended as follows:

41 Delete line(s) 2-9  
 42 and insert:

43 An act relating to health insurance; providing a short  
 44 title; amending ss. 627.64171, 627.66121, and 641.31,  
 45 F.S.; including lymph node dissections under provisions  
 46 prescribing the length of hospital stay relating to a



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47 | mastectomy and the outpatient postsurgical followup care  
48 | that specified health insurers and health maintenance  
49 | organizations must cover; limiting application; amending  
50 | s. 627.6741, F.S.; requiring an insurer issuing Medicare  
51 | supplement policies to offer a Medicare supplement policy  
52 | without conditioning the issuance or discriminating in the  
53 | price based on health status to individuals who are  
54 | eligible for Medicare due to having end-stage renal  
55 | disease and who meet other conditions; providing an  
56 | effective date.