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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to prior authorization for opioid alternatives; amending s. 627.64195, F.S.; prohibiting health insurance policies from requiring that treatment with an opioid analgesic drug product be attempted and have failed before authorizing the use of a nonopioid-based analgesic drug product; providing an effective date.

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Section 1. Subsection (2) of section 627.64195, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

627.64195 Requirements for opioid coverage.-

(2) COVERAGE REQUIREMENTS.—

(a) A health insurance policy may not require that treatment with an opioid analgesic drug product be attempted and have failed before authorizing the use of a nonopioid-based analgesic drug product.

(b) A health insurance policy that provides coverage for abuse-deterrent opioid analgesic drug products:

 $\frac{1.(a)}{(a)}$ May impose a prior authorization requirement for an abuse-deterrent opioid analysesic drug product only if the policy imposes the same prior authorization requirement for each opioid analysesic drug product without an abuse-deterrence labeling claim.

 $\frac{2.(b)}{(b)}$ May not require use of an opioid analysesic drug product without an abuse-deterrence labeling claim before authorizing the use of an abuse-deterrent opioid analysesic drug

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