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AN ACT to amend and reenact §5-16-7 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §33-15-4k; to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §33-16-3w; to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §33-24-7l; to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §33-25-8i; and to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §33-25A-8k, all relating generally to requiring health insurance coverage of maternity services in certain circumstances; providing maternity services for all individuals participating in or receiving insurance coverage under a health insurance policy or plan if those services are covered under the policy or plan; modifying required benefits for public employees insurance, accident and sickness insurance, group accident and sickness insurance, hospital medical and dental corporations, health care corporations and health maintenance organizations; and providing exceptions to the extent that required benefits exceed the essential health benefits specified under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

That §5-16-7 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted; that said code be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated §33-15-4k; that said code be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated §33-16-3w; that said code be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated §33-24-7l; that said code be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated §33-25-8i; and that said code be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated §33-25A-8k, all to read as follows:

**CHAPTER 5. GENERAL POWERS AND AUTHORITY OF GOVERNOR, SECRETARY OF STATE AND ATTORNEY GENERAL; BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS; MISCELLANEOUS AGENCIES, COMMISSIONS, OFFICES, PROGRAMS, ETC.**

**ARTICLE 16. WEST VIRGINIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES INSURANCE ACT.**

**§5-16-7. Authorization to establish group hospital and surgical insurance plan, group major medical insurance plan, group prescription drug plan and group life and accidental death insurance plan; rules for administration of plans; mandated benefits; what plans may provide; optional plans; separate rating for claims experience purposes.**

- 1 (a) The agency shall establish a group hospital and
- 2 surgical insurance plan or plans, a group prescription drug
- 3 insurance plan or plans, a group major medical insurance plan
- 4 or plans and a group life and accidental death insurance plan
- 5 or plans for those employees herein made eligible and
- 6 establish and promulgate rules for the administration of these
- 7 plans subject to the limitations contained in this article.
- 8 These plans shall include:

9 (1) Coverages and benefits for x-ray and laboratory  
10 services in connection with mammograms when medically  
11 appropriate and consistent with current guidelines from the  
12 United States Preventive Services Task Force; pap smears,  
13 either conventional or liquid-based cytology, whichever is  
14 medically appropriate, and consistent with the current  
15 guidelines from either the United States Preventive Services  
16 Task Force or The American College of Obstetricians and  
17 Gynecologists; and a test for the human papilloma virus  
18 (HPV) when medically appropriate and consistent with  
19 current guidelines from either the United States Preventive  
20 Services Task Force or The American College of  
21 Obstetricians and Gynecologists, when performed for cancer  
22 screening or diagnostic services on a woman age eighteen or  
23 over;

24 (2) Annual checkups for prostate cancer in men age fifty  
25 and over;

26 (3) Annual screening for kidney disease as determined to  
27 be medically necessary by a physician using any combination  
28 of blood pressure testing, urine albumin or urine protein  
29 testing and serum creatinine testing as recommended by the  
30 National Kidney Foundation;

31 (4) For plans that include maternity benefits, coverage for  
32 inpatient care in a duly licensed health care facility for a  
33 mother and her newly born infant for the length of time  
34 which the attending physician considers medically necessary  
35 for the mother or her newly born child. No plan may deny  
36 payment for a mother or her newborn child prior to forty-  
37 eight hours following a vaginal delivery or prior to ninety-six  
38 hours following a caesarean section delivery if the attending  
39 physician considers discharge medically inappropriate;

40 (5) For plans which provide coverages for post-delivery  
41 care to a mother and her newly born child in the home,

42 coverage for inpatient care following childbirth as provided  
43 in subdivision (4) of this subsection if inpatient care is  
44 determined to be medically necessary by the attending  
45 physician. These plans may include, among other things,  
46 medicines, medical equipment, prosthetic appliances and any  
47 other inpatient and outpatient services and expenses  
48 considered appropriate and desirable by the agency; and

49 (6) Coverage for treatment of serious mental illness:

50 (A) The coverage does not include custodial care,  
51 residential care or schooling. For purposes of this section,  
52 “serious mental illness” means an illness included in the  
53 American Psychiatric Association’s diagnostic and statistical  
54 manual of mental disorders, as periodically revised, under the  
55 diagnostic categories or subclassifications of: (i)  
56 Schizophrenia and other psychotic disorders; (ii) bipolar  
57 disorders; (iii) depressive disorders; (iv) substance-related  
58 disorders with the exception of caffeine-related disorders and  
59 nicotine-related disorders; (v) anxiety disorders; and (vi)  
60 anorexia and bulimia. With regard to a covered individual  
61 who has not yet attained the age of nineteen years, “serious  
62 mental illness” also includes attention deficit hyperactivity  
63 disorder, separation anxiety disorder and conduct disorder.

64 (B) Notwithstanding any other provision in this section  
65 to the contrary, if the agency demonstrates that its total costs  
66 for the treatment of mental illness for any plan exceeds two  
67 percent of the total costs for such plan in any experience  
68 period, then the agency may apply whatever additional cost-  
69 containment measures may be necessary in order to maintain  
70 costs below two percent of the total costs for the plan for the  
71 next experience period. These measures may include, but are  
72 not limited to, limitations on inpatient and outpatient benefits.

73 (C) The agency shall not discriminate between medical-  
74 surgical benefits and mental health benefits in the

75 administration of its plan. With regard to both medical-  
76 surgical and mental health benefits, it may make  
77 determinations of medical necessity and appropriateness and  
78 it may use recognized health care quality and cost  
79 management tools including, but not limited to, limitations on  
80 inpatient and outpatient benefits, utilization review,  
81 implementation of cost-containment measures,  
82 preauthorization for certain treatments, setting coverage  
83 levels, setting maximum number of visits within certain time  
84 periods, using capitated benefit arrangements, using fee-for-  
85 service arrangements, using third-party administrators, using  
86 provider networks and using patient cost sharing in the form  
87 of copayments, deductibles and coinsurance.

88 (7) Coverage for general anesthesia for dental procedures  
89 and associated outpatient hospital or ambulatory facility  
90 charges provided by appropriately licensed health care  
91 individuals in conjunction with dental care if the covered  
92 person is:

93 (A) Seven years of age or younger or is developmentally  
94 disabled and is an individual for whom a successful result  
95 cannot be expected from dental care provided under local  
96 anesthesia because of a physical, intellectual or other  
97 medically compromising condition of the individual and for  
98 whom a superior result can be expected from dental care  
99 provided under general anesthesia;

100 (B) A child who is twelve years of age or younger with  
101 documented phobias or with documented mental illness and  
102 with dental needs of such magnitude that treatment should  
103 not be delayed or deferred and for whom lack of treatment  
104 can be expected to result in infection, loss of teeth or other  
105 increased oral or dental morbidity and for whom a successful  
106 result cannot be expected from dental care provided under  
107 local anesthesia because of such condition and for whom a

108 superior result can be expected from dental care provided  
109 under general anesthesia.

110 (8) (A) Any plan issued or renewed on or after January 1,  
111 2012, shall include coverage for diagnosis, evaluation and  
112 treatment of autism spectrum disorder in individuals ages  
113 eighteen months to eighteen years. To be eligible for  
114 coverage and benefits under this subdivision, the individual  
115 must be diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder at age eight  
116 or younger. Such plan shall provide coverage for treatments  
117 that are medically necessary and ordered or prescribed by a  
118 licensed physician or licensed psychologist and in accordance  
119 with a treatment plan developed from a comprehensive  
120 evaluation by a certified behavior analyst for an individual  
121 diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder.

122 (B) The coverage shall include, but not be limited to,  
123 applied behavior analysis which shall be provided or  
124 supervised by a certified behavior analyst. The annual  
125 maximum benefit for applied behavior analysis required by  
126 this subdivision shall be in an amount not to exceed \$30,000  
127 per individual for three consecutive years from the date  
128 treatment commences. At the conclusion of the third year,  
129 coverage for applied behavior analysis required by this  
130 subdivision shall be in an amount not to exceed \$2,000 per  
131 month, until the individual reaches eighteen years of age, as  
132 long as the treatment is medically necessary and in  
133 accordance with a treatment plan developed by a certified  
134 behavior analyst pursuant to a comprehensive evaluation or  
135 reevaluation of the individual. This subdivision does not  
136 limit, replace or affect any obligation to provide services to  
137 an individual under the Individuals with Disabilities  
138 Education Act, 20 U. S. C.1400 et seq., as amended from  
139 time to time or other publicly funded programs. Nothing in  
140 this subdivision requires reimbursement for services provided  
141 by public school personnel.

142 (C) The certified behavior analyst shall file progress  
143 reports with the agency semiannually. In order for treatment  
144 to continue, the agency must receive objective evidence or a  
145 clinically supportable statement of expectation that:

146 (i) The individual's condition is improving in response to  
147 treatment;

148 (ii) A maximum improvement is yet to be attained; and

149 (iii) There is an expectation that the anticipated  
150 improvement is attainable in a reasonable and generally  
151 predictable period of time.

152 (D) On or before January 1 each year, the agency shall  
153 file an annual report with the Joint Committee on  
154 Government and Finance describing its implementation of the  
155 coverage provided pursuant to this subdivision. The report  
156 shall include, but not be limited to, the number of individuals  
157 in the plan utilizing the coverage required by this subdivision,  
158 the fiscal and administrative impact of the implementation  
159 and any recommendations the agency may have as to changes  
160 in law or policy related to the coverage provided under this  
161 subdivision. In addition, the agency shall provide such other  
162 information as required by the Joint Committee on  
163 Government and Finance as it may request.

164 (E) For purposes of this subdivision, the term:

165 (i) "Applied behavior analysis" means the design,  
166 implementation and evaluation of environmental  
167 modifications using behavioral stimuli and consequences in  
168 order to produce socially significant improvement in human  
169 behavior and includes the use of direct observation,  
170 measurement and functional analysis of the relationship  
171 between environment and behavior.

172 (ii) “Autism spectrum disorder” means any pervasive  
173 developmental disorder including autistic disorder,  
174 Asperger’s Syndrome, Rett Syndrome, childhood  
175 disintegrative disorder or Pervasive Development Disorder as  
176 defined in the most recent edition of the Diagnostic and  
177 Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders of the American  
178 Psychiatric Association.

179 (iii) “Certified behavior analyst” means an individual  
180 who is certified by the Behavior Analyst Certification Board  
181 or certified by a similar nationally recognized organization.

182 (iv) “Objective evidence” means standardized patient  
183 assessment instruments, outcome measurements tools or  
184 measurable assessments of functional outcome. Use of  
185 objective measures at the beginning of treatment, during and  
186 after treatment is recommended to quantify progress and  
187 support justifications for continued treatment. The tools are  
188 not required but their use will enhance the justification for  
189 continued treatment.

190 (F) To the extent that the application of this subdivision  
191 for autism spectrum disorder causes an increase of at least  
192 one percent of actual total costs of coverage for the plan year,  
193 the agency may apply additional cost containment measures.

194 (G) To the extent that the provisions of this subdivision  
195 require benefits that exceed the essential health benefits  
196 specified under section 1302(b) of the Patient Protection and  
197 Affordable Care Act, Pub. L. No. 111-148, as amended, the  
198 specific benefits that exceed the specified essential health  
199 benefits shall not be required of insurance plans offered by  
200 the Public Employees Insurance Agency.

201 (9) For plans that include maternity benefits, coverage for  
202 the same maternity benefits for all individuals participating  
203 in or receiving coverage under plans that are issued or

204 renewed on or after January 1, 2014: *Provided*, That to the  
205 extent that the provisions of this subdivision require benefits  
206 that exceed the essential health benefits specified under  
207 section 1302(b) of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care  
208 Act, Pub. L. No. 111-148, as amended, the specific benefits  
209 that exceed the specified essential health benefits shall not be  
210 required of a health benefit plan when the plan is offered in  
211 this state.

212 (b) The agency shall, with full authorization, make  
213 available to each eligible employee, at full cost to the  
214 employee, the opportunity to purchase optional group life and  
215 accidental death insurance as established under the rules of  
216 the agency. In addition, each employee is entitled to have his  
217 or her spouse and dependents, as defined by the rules of the  
218 agency, included in the optional coverage, at full cost to the  
219 employee, for each eligible dependent.

220 (c) The finance board may cause to be separately rated  
221 for claims experience purposes:

222 (1) All employees of the State of West Virginia;

223 (2) All teaching and professional employees of state  
224 public institutions of higher education and county boards of  
225 education;

226 (3) All nonteaching employees of the Higher Education  
227 Policy Commission, West Virginia Council for Community  
228 and Technical College Education and county boards of  
229 education; or

230 (4) Any other categorization which would ensure the  
231 stability of the overall program.

232 (d) The agency shall maintain the medical and  
233 prescription drug coverage for Medicare eligible retirees by

234 providing coverage through one of the existing plans or by  
235 enrolling the Medicare eligible retired employees into a  
236 Medicare specific plan, including, but not limited to, the  
237 Medicare/Advantage Prescription Drug Plan. If a Medicare  
238 specific plan is no longer available or advantageous for the  
239 agency and the retirees, the retirees remain eligible for  
240 coverage through the agency.

### **CHAPTER 33. INSURANCE.**

#### **ARTICLE 15. ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE.**

##### **§33-15-4k. Maternity coverage.**

1 Notwithstanding any provision of any policy, provision,  
2 contract, plan or agreement applicable to this article, any  
3 health insurance policy subject to this article, issued or  
4 renewed on or after January 1, 2014, which provides health  
5 insurance coverage for maternity services, shall provide  
6 coverage for maternity services for all persons participating  
7 in or receiving coverage under the policy. To the extent that  
8 the provisions of this section require benefits that exceed the  
9 essential health benefits specified under section 1302(b) of  
10 the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Pub. L. No.  
11 111-148, as amended, the specific benefits that exceed the  
12 specified essential health benefits are not required of a health  
13 benefit plan when the plan is offered by a health care insurer  
14 in this state. Coverage required under this section may not be  
15 subject to exclusions or limitations which are not applied to  
16 other maternity coverage under the policy.

#### **ARTICLE 16. GROUP ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE.**

##### **§33-16-3w. Maternity coverage.**

1 Notwithstanding any provision of any policy, provision,  
2 contract, plan or agreement applicable to this article, any  
3 health insurance policy subject to this article, issued or  
4 renewed on or after January 1, 2014, which provides health  
5 insurance coverage for maternity services, shall provide  
6 coverage for maternity services for all persons participating  
7 in, or receiving coverage under the policy. To the extent that  
8 the provisions of this section require benefits that exceed the  
9 essential health benefits specified under section 1302(b) of  
10 the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Pub. L. No.  
11 111-148, as amended, the specific benefits that exceed the  
12 specified essential health benefits are not required of a health  
13 benefit plan when the plan is offered by a health care insurer  
14 in this state. Coverage required under this section may not be  
15 subject to exclusions or limitations which are not applied to  
16 other maternity coverage under the policy.

**ARTICLE 24. HOSPITAL MEDICAL AND DENTAL  
CORPORATIONS.**

**§33-24-7I. Maternity coverage.**

1 Notwithstanding any provision of any policy, provision,  
2 contract, plan or agreement applicable to this article, a health  
3 insurance policy subject to this article, issued or renewed on  
4 or after January 1, 2014, which provides health insurance  
5 coverage for maternity services, shall provide coverage for  
6 maternity services for all persons participating in, or  
7 receiving coverage under the policy. To the extent that the  
8 provisions of this section require benefits that exceed the  
9 essential health benefits specified under section 1302(b) of  
10 the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Pub. L. No.  
11 111-148, as amended, the specific benefits that exceed the  
12 specified essential health benefits are not required of a health  
13 benefit plan when the plan is offered by a health care insurer  
14 in this state. Coverage required under this section may not be  
15 subject to exclusions or limitations which are not applied to  
16 other maternity coverage under the policy.

**ARTICLE 25. HEALTH CARE CORPORATION.**

**§33-25-8i. Maternity coverage.**

1 Notwithstanding any provision of any policy, provision,  
2 contract, plan or agreement applicable to this article, a health  
3 insurance policy subject to this article, issued or renewed on  
4 or after January 1, 2014, which provides health insurance  
5 coverage for maternity services, shall provide coverage for  
6 maternity services for all persons participating in, or  
7 receiving coverage under the policy. To the extent that the  
8 provisions of this section require benefits that exceed the  
9 essential health benefits specified under section 1302(b) of  
10 the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Pub. L. No.  
11 111-148, as amended, the specific benefits that exceed the  
12 specified essential health benefits are not required of a health  
13 benefit plan when the plan is offered by a health care insurer  
14 in this state. Coverage required under this section may not be  
15 subject to exclusions or limitations which are not applied to  
16 other maternity coverage under the policy.

**ARTICLE 25A. HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION  
ACT.**

**§33-25A-8k. Maternity coverage.**

1 Notwithstanding any provision of any policy, provision,  
2 contract, plan or agreement applicable to this article, a health  
3 insurance policy subject to this article, issued or renewed on  
4 or after January 1, 2014, which provides health insurance  
5 coverage for maternity services, shall provide coverage for  
6 maternity services for all persons participating in, or  
7 receiving coverage under the policy. To the extent that the  
8 provisions of this section require benefits that exceed the  
9 essential health benefits specified under section 1302(b) of  
10 the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Pub. L. No.  
11 111-148, as amended, the specific benefits that exceed the

12 specified essential health benefits are not required of a health  
13 benefit plan when the plan is offered by a health care insurer  
14 in this state. Coverage required under this section may not be  
15 subject to exclusions or limitations which are not applied to  
16 other maternity coverage under the policy.



The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

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*Chairman Senate Committee*

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*Chairman House Committee*

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