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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR COLORECTAL
102 CANCER SCREENING.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)

Current law requires health insurance carriers (carriers) to provide preventive health insurance coverage for colorectal cancer screenings in accordance with U.S. preventive services task force guidelines. The bill requires carriers to instead provide coverage for colorectal cancer screenings in accordance with American Cancer Society guidelines. The coverage must include coverage for a colonoscopy or other medical test

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or procedure for colorectal cancer screening and a follow-up colonoscopy, if necessary, and coverage for high-risk individuals.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 10-16-104, **amend**
3 (18)(a)(I) introductory portion; **repeal** (18)(b)(V); and **add** (18)(b.3) as
4 follows:

5 **10-16-104. Mandatory coverage provisions - definitions -**
6 **rules.** (18) **Preventive health care services.** (a) (I) The following
7 policies and contracts that are ~~delivered~~, issued OR renewed ~~or reinstated~~
8 ~~on or after January 1, 2010~~, IN THIS STATE must provide coverage for the
9 total cost of the preventive health care services specified in ~~paragraph (b)~~
10 ~~of this subsection~~ (18) SUBSECTIONS (18)(b) AND (18)(b.3) OF THIS
11 SECTION, UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED IN THIS SUBSECTION (18):

12 (b) The coverage required by this subsection (18) must include
13 preventive health care services for the following, in accordance with the
14 A or B recommendations of the task force for the particular preventive
15 health care service:

16 (V) ~~(A) Colorectal cancer screening coverage for tests for the~~
17 ~~early detection of colorectal cancer and adenomatous polyps.~~

18 ~~(B) In addition to covered persons eligible for colorectal cancer~~
19 ~~screening coverage in accordance with A or B recommendations of the~~
20 ~~task force, colorectal cancer screening coverage required by this~~
21 ~~subparagraph (V) shall also be provided to covered persons who are at~~
22 ~~high risk for colorectal cancer, including covered persons who have a~~
23 ~~family medical history of colorectal cancer, a prior occurrence of cancer~~
24 ~~or precursor neoplastic polyps, a prior occurrence of a chronic digestive~~
25 ~~disease condition such as inflammatory bowel disease, Crohn's disease,~~

1 ~~or ulcerative colitis, or other predisposing factors as determined by the~~
2 ~~provider;~~

3 (b.3) (I) THE COVERAGE REQUIRED BY THIS SUBSECTION (18) MUST
4 INCLUDE PREVENTIVE COLORECTAL CANCER SCREENING COVERAGE FOR
5 ALL COLORECTAL CANCER EXAMINATIONS AND LABORATORY TESTS IN
6 ACCORDANCE WITH AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY GUIDELINES, OR ANY
7 SUCCESSOR ENTITY OR GUIDELINES, FOR COLORECTAL CANCER SCREENING
8 OF AVERAGE-RISK INDIVIDUALS, INCLUDING AN INITIAL COLONOSCOPY OR
9 OTHER MEDICAL TEST OR PROCEDURE FOR COLORECTAL CANCER
10 SCREENING AND A FOLLOW-UP COLONOSCOPY IF THE RESULTS OF THE
11 INITIAL MEDICAL TEST OR PROCEDURE ARE ABNORMAL.

12 (II) IN ADDITION TO THE COLORECTAL SCREENING COVERAGE IN
13 ACCORDANCE WITH AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY GUIDELINES, OR ANY
14 SUCCESSOR ENTITY OR GUIDELINES, COLORECTAL CANCER SCREENING
15 COVERAGE MUST ALSO INCLUDE COVERAGE FOR EARLY DETECTION AND
16 PREVENTION FOR PERSONS WHO ARE AT HIGH RISK FOR COLORECTAL
17 CANCER, INCLUDING COVERED PERSONS WHO HAVE A FAMILY MEDICAL
18 HISTORY OF COLORECTAL CANCER; A PRIOR OCCURRENCE OF CANCER OR
19 PRECURSOR NEOPLASTIC POLYPS; A PRIOR OCCURRENCE OF A CHRONIC
20 DIGESTIVE DISEASE CONDITION SUCH AS INFLAMMATORY BOWEL DISEASE,
21 CROHN'S DISEASE, OR ULCERATIVE COLITIS; OR OTHER PREDISPOSING
22 FACTORS AS DETERMINED BY A PROVIDER.

23 **SECTION 2. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,
24 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
25 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety.