



***An Act Concerning Pain Management.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1       Section 1. (NEW) Each individual health insurance policy providing  
2 coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (10), (11) and  
3 (12) of section 38a-469 of the general statutes delivered, issued for  
4 delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state on or after  
5 October 1, 2000, shall provide access to a pain management specialist  
6 and coverage for pain treatment ordered by such specialist which may  
7 include all means necessary to make a diagnosis and develop a  
8 treatment plan including the use of necessary medications and  
9 procedures. As used in this section, "pain" means a more or less  
10 localized sensation of discomfort, distress or agony.

11       Sec. 2. (NEW) Each group health insurance policy providing  
12 coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (10), (11) and  
13 (12) of section 38a-469 of the general statutes delivered, issued for  
14 delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state on or after  
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18 treatment plan including the use of necessary medications and  
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20 localized sensation of discomfort, distress or agony.

**PH**   **Committee Vote:**   Yea   21   Nay   0   JFS