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Committee Bill No. 5114

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Referred to Committee on Public Health

Introduced by:
(PH)

**AN ACT CONCERNING DEVELOPMENTAL NEEDS OF CHILDREN
AND YOUTH WITH CANCER.**

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) The Commissioner of Social
2 Services, to the extent permitted by federal law, shall take such action
3 as may be necessary to amend the Medicaid state plan to provide
4 coverage without prior authorization for each child diagnosed with
5 cancer on or after January 1, 2000, who is covered under the HUSKY
6 Plan, Part A or Part B, for neuropsychological testing ordered by a
7 licensed physician, to assess the extent of any cognitive or
8 developmental delays in such child due to chemotherapy or radiation
9 treatment.

10 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2006*) Each individual health
11 insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in
12 subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 of the general
13 statutes delivered, issued for delivery, amended, renewed or
14 continued in this state on or after October 1, 2006, shall provide
15 coverage without prior authorization for each child diagnosed with
16 cancer on or after January 1, 2000, for neuropsychological testing

17 ordered by a licensed physician, to assess the extent of any cognitive or
18 developmental delays in such child due to chemotherapy or radiation
19 treatment.

20 Sec. 3. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2006) Each group health insurance
21 policy providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2),
22 (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 of the general statutes delivered,
23 issued for delivery, amended, renewed or continued in this state on or
24 after October 1, 2006, shall provide coverage without prior
25 authorization for each child diagnosed with cancer on or after January
26 1, 2000, for neuropsychological testing ordered by a licensed physician,
27 to assess the extent of any cognitive or developmental delays in such
28 child due to chemotherapy or radiation treatment.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2006</i>	New section
Sec. 3	<i>October 1, 2006</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To provide enhanced coverage under the HUSKY Plan and individual and group health insurance policies for children with cancer.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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