



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5697

LCO No. 1736

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Referred to Committee on Insurance and Real Estate

Introduced by:
(INS)

AN ACT CONCERNING OSTOMY SUPPLIES.

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

1 Section 1. Section 38a-492j of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2008*):

3 Each individual health insurance policy providing coverage of the
4 type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-
5 469 delivered, issued for delivery, renewed or continued in this state
6 on or after October 1, 2000, that provides coverage for ostomy surgery
7 shall include coverage [, up to one thousand dollars annually,] for
8 medically necessary appliances and supplies relating to an ostomy
9 including, but not limited to, collection devices, irrigation equipment
10 and supplies, skin barriers and skin protectors. As used in this section,
11 "ostomy" includes colostomy, ileostomy and urostomy. Payments
12 under this section shall not be applied to any policy maximums for
13 durable medical equipment. [Nothing in this section shall be deemed
14 to decrease policy benefits in excess of the limits in this section.]

15 Sec. 2. Section 38a-518j of the general statutes is repealed and the
16 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2008*):

17 Each group health insurance policy providing coverage of the type
18 specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469
19 delivered, issued for delivery, renewed or continued in this state on or
20 after October 1, 2000, that provides coverage for ostomy surgery shall
21 include coverage [, up to one thousand dollars annually,] for medically
22 necessary appliances and supplies relating to an ostomy including, but
23 not limited to, collection devices, irrigation equipment and supplies,
24 skin barriers and skin protectors. As used in this section, "ostomy"
25 includes colostomy, ileostomy and urostomy. Payments under this
26 section shall not be applied to any policy maximums for durable
27 medical equipment. [Nothing in this section shall be deemed to
28 decrease policy benefits in excess of the limits in this section.]

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2008</i>	38a-492j
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2008</i>	38a-518j

Statement of Purpose:

To provide insurance coverage for victims of ostomy.

[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.]