



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 5032

LCO No. 158

Referred to Committee on Insurance and Real Estate

Introduced by:
REP. MORIN, 28th Dist.

AN ACT REQUIRING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR BONE MARROW TESTING.

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

1 That chapter 700c of the general statutes be amended to require
2 individual and group health insurance policies to provide coverage for
3 expenses arising from human leukocyte antigen testing for utilization
4 in bone marrow transplantation. Such policies shall not impose an out-
5 of-pocket expense exceeding twenty per cent of the cost of such testing
6 per year, and shall (1) require that such testing be performed in a
7 facility accredited by the American Society for Histocompatibility and
8 Immunogenetics and certified under the Clinical Laboratory
9 Improvement Act, and (2) limit coverage to individuals who complete
10 and sign a consent form that also authorizes the results of the test to be
11 used for participation in the National Marrow Donor Program. Such
12 policies may limit such coverage to a lifetime maximum benefit of one
13 testing.

Statement of Purpose:

To provide health insurance coverage for expenses arising from bone marrow testing.