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**Amendment**

LCO No. 8073

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To: Senate Bill No. 153

File No. 123

Cal. No. 508

(As Amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A")

**"AN ACT CONCERNING THE TIMING OF PRESCRIPTION DRUG REFILLS."**

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the  
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. Section 38a-510 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2012*):

5 [(a) No health insurance policy issued on an individual basis,  
6 whether issued by an] No insurance company, [a] fraternal benefit  
7 society, hospital service corporation, [a] medical service corporation or  
8 [a] health care center [, which] that delivers, issues for delivery,  
9 renews, amends or continues an individual health insurance policy  
10 that provides coverage for prescription drugs [may require] shall:

11 (1) Require any person covered under such policy to obtain

12 prescription drugs from a mail order pharmacy as a condition of  
13 obtaining benefits for such drugs; or

14 (2) Deny coverage for a refill of a prescription drug otherwise  
15 authorized to be refilled by such company, society, corporation or  
16 center pursuant to the terms of coverage of such policy, on the grounds  
17 that such refill is requested too soon if, on the date such refill is  
18 requested, at least seventy-five per cent of the previously dispensed  
19 quantity of the prescription drug would have been consumed based on  
20 the dosage indicated by the prescribing health care provider.

21 [(b) The provisions of this section shall apply to any such policy  
22 delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this  
23 state on or after July 1, 2005.]

24 Sec. 2. Section 38a-544 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
25 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2012*):

26 [(a) No medical benefits contract [a group basis, whether issued  
27 by an] No insurance company, [a] fraternal benefit society, hospital  
28 service corporation, [a] medical service corporation or [a] health care  
29 center [, which] that delivers, issues for delivery, renews, amends or  
30 continues a group health insurance policy that provides coverage for  
31 prescription drugs [may require] shall:

32 (1) Require any person covered under such [contract] policy to  
33 obtain prescription drugs from a mail order pharmacy as a condition  
34 of obtaining benefits for such drugs; or

35 (2) Deny coverage for a refill of a prescription drug otherwise  
36 authorized to be refilled by such company, society, corporation or  
37 center pursuant to the terms of coverage of such policy, on the grounds  
38 that such refill is requested too soon if, on the date such refill is  
39 requested, at least seventy-five per cent of the previously dispensed  
40 quantity of the prescription drug would have been consumed based on  
41 the dosage indicated by the prescribing health care provider.

42 [(b) The provisions of this section shall apply to any such medical  
43 benefits contract delivered, issued for delivery or renewed in this state  
44 on or after July 1, 1989.]"

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| This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: |                        |         |
| Section 1   | <i>January 1, 2012</i> | 38a-510 |
| Sec. 2  | <i>January 1, 2012</i> | 38a-544 |