



General Assembly

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**Raised Bill No. 191**

LCO No. 964



Referred to Committee on INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE

Introduced by:  
(INS)

**AN ACT CONCERNING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE OF ORALLY AND INTRAVENOUSLY ADMINISTERED MEDICATIONS.**

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2015*) Each insurance company,  
2 hospital service corporation, medical service corporation, health care  
3 center, fraternal benefit society or other entity that delivers, issues for  
4 delivery, renews, amends or continues in this state individual health  
5 insurance policies providing coverage of the type specified in  
6 subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 of the general  
7 statutes and that provide coverage for intravenously administered  
8 medications for the treatment or palliation or therapeutic intervention  
9 for the prevention of disabling or life-threatening chronic diseases  
10 shall provide coverage for orally administered medications for such  
11 treatment, palliation or intervention on a basis no less favorable than  
12 intravenously administered medications.

13 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2015*) Each insurance company,  
14 hospital service corporation, medical service corporation, health care  
15 center, fraternal benefit society or other entity that delivers, issues for

16 delivery, renews, amends or continues in this state group health  
17 insurance policies providing coverage of the type specified in  
18 subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 of the general  
19 statutes and that provide coverage for intravenously administered  
20 medications for the treatment or palliation or therapeutic intervention  
21 for the prevention of disabling or life-threatening chronic diseases  
22 shall provide coverage for orally administered medications for such  
23 treatment, palliation or intervention on a basis no less favorable than  
24 intravenously administered medications.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>January 1, 2015</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>January 1, 2015</i>	New section

***Statement of Purpose:***

To require health insurance policies that provide coverage for intravenously administered medications for the treatment or palliation or therapeutic intervention for the prevention of disabling or life-threatening chronic diseases to provide coverage for orally administered medications for such treatment, palliation or intervention on a basis no less favorable than intravenously administered medications.

*[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.]*