
OLR Bill Analysis

SB 33

AN ACT CONCERNING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE OF ORALLY AND INTRAVENOUSLY ADMINISTERED PRESCRIPTION DRUGS.

SUMMARY

This bill requires certain health insurance policies that cover prescription drugs to provide coverage for orally administered prescription drugs on a basis that is at least as favorable as coverage for intravenously administered prescription drugs.

The bill applies to individual or group health insurance policies delivered, issued, renewed, amended, or continued in Connecticut that cover (1) basic hospital expenses; (2) basic medical-surgical expenses; (3) major medical expenses; (4) hospital or medical services, including those provided under an HMO plan; or (5) single service ancillary health coverage, including, prescription drug coverage. Because of the federal Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA), state insurance benefit mandates do not apply to self-insured benefit plans.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2020

COMMITTEE ACTION

Insurance and Real Estate Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 13 Nay 7 (03/14/2019)