



General Assembly

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**Proposed Bill No. 5853**

LCO No. 1889



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Referred to Committee on INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE

Introduced by:  
REP. BUTLER, 72nd Dist.  
(By Request)

***AN ACT RESTRICTING CHANGES TO HEALTH INSURERS'  
PRESCRIPTION DRUG FORMULARIES.***

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

1 That sections 38a-492f and 38a-518f of the general statutes be  
2 amended to provide that no health carrier that includes prescription  
3 drug coverage shall remove a covered prescription drug from its list of  
4 covered drugs, or reclassify or place a covered prescription drug in a  
5 higher cost-sharing tier, during a policy term unless (1) such drug is  
6 not medically necessary, such health carrier provides the insured and  
7 the insured's prescribing health care provider with not less than sixty  
8 days' advance written notice of its intended action and such provider  
9 agrees that such drug is not medically necessary, or (2) such drug is  
10 identified as no longer safe and effective by the federal Food and Drug  
11 Administration or peer-reviewed medical literature generally  
12 recognized by the relevant medical community.

***Statement of Purpose:***

To restrict when health carriers may change prescription drug formularies during a policy term.