Insurance and Real Estate Committee

MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, January 31, 2019

11:05 AM in Room 2D of the LOB

The meeting was called to order at 11:05AM by Chairman, Rep. Scanlon S. 098.

The following committee members were present:

Senators: Cassano S. S04; Hartley J. S15; Kelly K. S21; Lesser M. S09

Representatives: Dathan L. 142; de la Cruz J. 041; Delnicki T. 014; Floren L. 149; Hughes A. 135; O'Neill A. 069; Pavalock-D'Amato C. 077; Polletta J. 068; Riley E. 046; Rosario C. 128; Scanlon S. 098; Turco G. 027; Vail K. 052

Absent were:

Senators: Sen. Cassano, S. S04

Representatives:

Rep. Scanlon, S. 98 chaired and convened the meeting.

III. Sen. Lesser, M. S09 asked for a motion to raise concepts from 1-7 Rep. Dathan, L. 142 seconded the motion.

The motion was passed by a voice vote.

III. CONCEPTS TO BE RAISED:

1. AAC Disclosures by Real Estate Brokers and Salespersons

2. AAC the Residential Condition Report

3. AAC First-Time Homebuyer Savings Accounts

4. AAC Licensure of Real Estate Brokers and Salespersons
5. AAC Real Estate Brokers and Salespersons

6. AAC Home Improvement Contracts

7. AAC the Legislative Commissioners Recommendations for Technical and Other Changes to the Insurance and Related Statutes


The motion was passed by a voice vote.

IV. STRAIGHT CHANGE OF REFERENCE TO VETERANS:

1. Proposed S.B. No. 543 Proposed S.B. No. 543 AN ACT REQUIRING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR EQUINE THERAPY FOR VETERANS. (INS)

V. Chairman Scanlon, S. 98 asked for a motion for items 1-24 bills to be reserved for a public hearing. Rep. Hughes, A. 135 motioned and it was seconded by Sen. Kelly, K. S21.

The motion was passed by a voice vote.

Rep. Vail, K. 52 commented that by voting to move the concept for a public hearing or to raise a concept does not mean that they agree with the bills but agree to a public hearing further discussion.

V. PROPOSED BILLS TO BE RESERVED FOR SUBJECT MATTER HEARING:

1. Proposed S.B. No. 135 Proposed S.B. No. 135 AN ACT REQUIRING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR MEDICAL FOODS FOR PERSONS DIAGNOSED WITH PHENYLKETONURIA. (INS)

2. Proposed S.B. No. 317 Proposed S.B. No. 317 AN ACT REQUIRING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR BARIATRIC AND METABOLIC SURGERY. (INS)

3. Proposed S.B. No. 318 Proposed S.B. No. 318 AN ACT REQUIRING PRIOR APPROVAL OF ASSESSMENTS AND USER FEES CHARGED TO HEALTH CARRIERS BY THE CONNECTICUT HEALTH INSURANCE EXCHANGE. (INS)


6. Proposed S.B. No. 327 Proposed S.B. No. 327 AN ACT REQUIRING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR MEDICALLY NECESSARY AMBULANCE SERVICES AT AN IN-NETWORK LEVEL AND PROHIBITING BALANCE BILLING FOR SUCH SERVICES. (INS)

7. Proposed S.B. No. 330 Proposed S.B. No. 330 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A HUMAN RIGHT TO EQUAL ENJOYMENT OF THE HIGHEST ATTAINABLE STANDARD OF HEALTH. (INS)
8. Proposed S.B. No. 331 AN ACT REQUIRING THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER TO CONSIDER AFFORDABILITY IN REVIEWING HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUM RATE FILINGS. (INS)

9. Proposed S.B. No. 332 AN ACT CONCERNING COMPENSATION PAID BY PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS TO PHARMACIES. (INS)

10. Proposed S.B. No. 339 AN ACT REQUIRING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR ELECTIVE FERTILITY PRESERVATION TREATMENTS. (INS)

11. Proposed H.B. No. 5343 AN ACT REDEFINING "THIRD-PARTY ADMINISTRATOR" TO INCLUDE PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS. (INS)

12. Proposed H.B. No. 5425 AN ACT REQUIRING THAT REGISTERED HOME IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTORS MAINTAIN LIABILITY INSURANCE. (INS)

13. Proposed H.B. No. 5517 AN ACT CONCERNING LIFE INSURANCE POLICIES AND CONTRACTS THAT INSURE THE LIVES OF CONVICTED FELONS. (INS)

14. Proposed H.B. No. 5723 AN ACT CONCERNING THE PAYMENT OF MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENTS BY INSURANCE COMPANIES. (INS)

15. Proposed H.B. No. 5850 AN ACT REQUIRING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR THE PURCHASE OF ASSISTANCE DOGS. (INS)

16. Proposed H.B. No. 5860 AN ACT REQUIRING HEALTH INSURERS TO ACCEPT PAYMENTS FROM CERTAIN NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS. (INS)

17. Proposed H.B. No. 6087 AN ACT RESTRICTING THE USE OF PRIOR CLAIMS HISTORIES CONCERNING NALOXONE HYDROCHLORIDE. (INS)

18. Proposed H.B. No. 6088 AN ACT CONCERNING DISCLOSURE OF CERTAIN THIRD-PARTY ADMINISTRATOR FEES. (INS)

19. Proposed H.B. No. 6092 AN ACT PROHIBITING INSURERS FROM CONSIDERING NO FAULT ACCIDENTS IN SETTING MOTOR VEHICLE LIABILITY AND PHYSICAL DAMAGE INSURANCE PREMIUMS. (INS)

20. Proposed H.B. No. 6093 AN ACT CONCERNING CONSIDERATION OF IMMIGRATION STATUS BY HEALTH CARRIERS. (INS)

21. Proposed H.B. No. 6095 AN ACT MODIFYING REQUIRED HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR DETOXIFICATION. (INS)

22. Proposed H.B. No. 6096 AN ACT RESTRAINING CHANGES TO HEALTH INSURERS’ PRESCRIPTION DRUG FORMULARIES. (INS)

23. Proposed H.B. No. 6687 AN ACT PROHIBITING INSURANCE COMPANIES FROM USING TERRITORIAL RATING AND CREDIT HISTORIES AS FACTORS IN UNDERWRITING OR RATING PRIVATE PASSENGER NONFLEET AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE POLICIES. (INS)

24. Proposed H.B. No. 6690 AN ACT REQUIRING PROPERTY AND CASUALTY INSURERS TO OFFER COVERAGE FOR THE REMOVAL OF TREES FROM RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY. (INS)

VI. Chairman Scanlon, S. 98 asked for a motion to draft the following bills as committee Bills. Sen. Kelly, K. S21 made the motion and it was seconded by Sen. Lesser, M. S09.

The motion was passed by a voice vote.
VI. VOTE TO DRAFT AS COMMITTEE BILLS:

1. Proposed S.B. No. 320 AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS OF PERSONS WHO CONDUCT REAL ESTATE CLOSINGS. (INS)

2. Proposed H.B. No. 5270 AN ACT REQUIRING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR PEER SUPPORT SERVICES PROVIDED BY CERTIFIED PEER COUNSELORS. (INS)

3. Proposed H.B. No. 6091 AN ACT REQUIRING THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER TO OFFER A SPANISH LANGUAGE VERSION OF EACH EXAMINATION ADMINISTERED TO INSURANCE PROFESSIONALS IN THIS STATE. (INS)

VII. ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING

Chairman Scanlon, S. 98 asked to recess the meeting at 11:08 AM, votes would be held open until 4:00pm.

The next meeting will be 2/7 at 10:00 AM with a public hearing to follow at 11:00 AM in room 2D of the Legislative Office Building.

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Assistant Committee Clerk