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Raised Bill No. 5256

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Referred to Committee on INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE

Introduced by:
(INS)

***AN ACT CONCERNING REQUIRED HEALTH INSURANCE
COVERAGE FOR DETOXIFICATION AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE
SERVICES.***

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

1 Section 1. Section 38a-492p of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

3 Each insurance company, hospital service corporation, medical
4 service corporation, health care center, fraternal benefit society or other
5 entity that delivers, issues for delivery, renews, amends or continues in
6 this state an individual health insurance policy providing coverage of
7 the type specified in subdivision (1), (2), (4), (11) or (12) of section 38a-
8 469 that provides coverage to an insured or enrollee who has been
9 diagnosed with a substance use disorder, as described in section 17a-
10 458, shall cover: [medically necessary, medically monitored inpatient
11 detoxification services and medically necessary, medically managed
12 intensive inpatient detoxification services provided to the insured or
13 enrollee. For purposes of this section, "medically monitored inpatient
14 detoxification" and "medically managed intensive inpatient

15 detoxification" have the same meanings as described in the most recent
16 edition of the American Society of Addiction Medicine Treatment
17 Criteria for Addictive, Substance-Related and Co-Occurring
18 Conditions.]

19 (1) Family counseling and intervention services for the insured or
20 enrollee;

21 (2) Not more than seven days of inpatient hospital or nonhospital
22 detoxification services per admission for the insured or enrollee;

23 (3) Not fewer than four admissions for inpatient hospital or
24 nonhospital detoxification services for the insured or enrollee during
25 such insured's or enrollee's lifetime;

26 (4) Not fewer than thirty days of substance abuse services rendered
27 to the insured or enrollee at a residential treatment facility during any
28 year and a total of not fewer than ninety days of such services during
29 such insured's or enrollee's lifetime;

30 (5) Not fewer than thirty sessions of outpatient or partial
31 hospitalization substance abuse services for the insured or enrollee
32 during any year and a total of not fewer than one hundred twenty
33 sessions of such services during such insured's or enrollee's lifetime; and

34 (6) Not fewer than thirty additional sessions of outpatient or partial
35 hospitalization substance abuse services for the insured or enrollee
36 during such insured's or enrollee's lifetime, which such insured or
37 enrollee may exchange on a two-to-one basis to obtain fifteen additional
38 days of nonhospital substance abuse services rendered to such insured
39 or enrollee at a residential treatment facility during such insured's or
40 enrollee's lifetime.

41 Sec. 2. Section 38a-518p of the general statutes is repealed and the
42 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2021*):

43 Each insurance company, hospital service corporation, medical
44 service corporation, health care center, fraternal benefit society or other

45 entity that delivers, issues for delivery, renews, amends or continues in
46 this state a group health insurance policy providing coverage of the type
47 specified in subdivision (1), (2), (4), (11) or (12) of section 38a-469 that
48 provides coverage to an insured or enrollee who has been diagnosed
49 with a substance use disorder, as described in section 17a-458, shall
50 cover: [medically necessary, medically monitored inpatient
51 detoxification services and medically necessary, medically managed
52 intensive inpatient detoxification services provided to the insured or
53 enrollee. For purposes of this section, "medically monitored inpatient
54 detoxification" and "medically managed intensive inpatient
55 detoxification" have the same meanings as described in the most recent
56 edition of the American Society of Addiction Medicine Treatment
57 Criteria for Addictive, Substance-Related and Co-Occurring
58 Conditions.]

59 (1) Family counseling and intervention services for the insured or
60 enrollee;

61 (2) Not more than seven days of inpatient hospital or nonhospital
62 detoxification services per admission for the insured or enrollee;

63 (3) Not fewer than four admissions for inpatient hospital or
64 nonhospital detoxification services for the insured or enrollee during
65 such insured's or enrollee's lifetime;

66 (4) Not fewer than thirty days of substance abuse services rendered
67 to the insured or enrollee at a residential treatment facility during any
68 year and a total of not fewer than ninety days of such services during
69 such insured's or enrollee's lifetime;

70 (5) Not fewer than thirty sessions of outpatient or partial
71 hospitalization substance abuse services for the insured or enrollee
72 during any year and a total of not fewer than one hundred twenty
73 sessions of such services during such insured's or enrollee's lifetime; and

74 (6) Not fewer than thirty additional sessions of outpatient or partial
75 hospitalization substance abuse services for the insured or enrollee

76 during such insured's or enrollee's lifetime, which such insured or
77 enrollee may exchange on a two-to-one basis to obtain fifteen additional
78 days of nonhospital substance abuse services rendered to such insured
79 or enrollee at a residential treatment facility during such insured's or
80 enrollee's lifetime.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	38a-492p
Sec. 2	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	38a-518p

Statement of Purpose:

To modify required health insurance coverage for detoxification and substance abuse services.

[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.]