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Referred to Committee on INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE

Introduced by:
(INS)

AN ACT REQUIRING THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY AND LIKELY EFFECTS OF MANDATING COVERAGE FOR CERTAIN BENEFITS UNDER MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT INSURANCE POLICIES AND CERTIFICATES.

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Insurance Commissioner
2 shall study the feasibility and likely effects of requiring insurance
3 companies, fraternal benefit societies, hospital service corporations,
4 medical service corporations, health care centers and other entities that
5 deliver, issue for delivery, renew, amend or continue Medicare
6 supplement insurance policies and certificates in this state to provide
7 coverage for:

8 (1) Coinsurance for benefits provided at skilled nursing facilities for
9 persons who are younger than sixty-five years of age and enrolled in
10 Medicare Part C;

11 (2) Foreign travel emergency health care coverage; and

12 (3) Deductibles for benefits provided at hospitals for persons who are

13 enrolled in Medicare Part A.

14 (b) Not later than January 1, 2021, the Insurance Commissioner shall
15 submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the
16 general statutes, on the commissioner's findings to the joint standing
17 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
18 relating to insurance.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To require the Insurance Commissioner to study the feasibility and likely effects of mandating coverage for certain benefits under Medicare supplement insurance policies and certificates.

[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.]