



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 197***

LCO No. 1091



Referred to Committee on INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE

Introduced by:  
(INS)

***AN ACT CONCERNING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR CERTAIN EPINEPHRINE CARTRIDGE INJECTORS.***

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2021*) Notwithstanding any  
2 provision of the general statutes, no individual health insurance policy  
3 providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (10),  
4 (11), (12) and (16) of section 38a-469 of the general statutes delivered,  
5 issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state on or  
6 after January 1, 2021, that provides coverage for epinephrine cartridge  
7 injectors, as defined in section 19a-909 of the general statutes, shall deny  
8 coverage, or make any discrimination or distinction in the terms of  
9 coverage, for an epinephrine cartridge injector that is administered to  
10 an insured by a third party who provided or administered the  
11 epinephrine cartridge injector to the insured to provide an emergency  
12 first aid response for an allergic reaction, regardless of whether such  
13 insured held a valid prescription for such epinephrine cartridge injector.

14 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2021*) Notwithstanding any  
15 provision of the general statutes, no group health insurance policy

16 providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (10),  
17 (11), (12) and (16) of section 38a-469 of the general statutes delivered,  
18 issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state on or  
19 after January 1, 2021, that provides coverage for epinephrine cartridge  
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24 epinephrine cartridge injector to the insured to provide an emergency  
25 first aid response for an allergic reaction, regardless of whether such  
26 insured held a valid prescription for such epinephrine cartridge injector.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>January 1, 2021</i>	New section

**Statement of Purpose:**

To prohibit certain health insurers from denying, or making any distinction or discrimination in, coverage for an epinephrine cartridge injector administered to an insured by a third party who provided or administered the injector to the insured to provide an emergency first aid response for an allergic reaction, regardless of whether the insured held a valid prescription for such injector.

*[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.]*