



General Assembly

**Amendment**

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LCO No. 8993



Offered by:  
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To: Senate Bill No. 1004

File No. 323

Cal. No. 208

**"AN ACT CONCERNING DENTAL AND VISION INSURANCE  
COVERAGE FOR CHILDREN, STEPCHILDREN AND OTHER  
DEPENDENT CHILDREN."**

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the  
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. Section 38a-497 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2022*):

5 (a) Each individual health insurance policy providing coverage of the  
6 type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (6), (10), (11) and (12) of section  
7 38a-469 delivered, issued for delivery, amended, renewed or continued  
8 in this state shall provide that coverage of a child, stepchild or other  
9 dependent child shall terminate [no] not earlier than the policy  
10 anniversary date [on or] after [whichever of the following occurs first,]  
11 the date on which the child, [: Becomes covered under a group health  
12 plan through the dependent's own employment; or] stepchild or other  
13 dependent child attains the age of twenty-six.

14 (b) Each individual health insurance policy described in subsection  
15 (a) of this section, and each individual health insurance policy providing  
16 coverage of the type specified in subdivision (16) of section 38a-469  
17 delivered, issued for delivery, amended, renewed or continued in this  
18 state, that includes or provides dental or vision coverage shall provide  
19 that dental or vision coverage of a child, stepchild or other dependent  
20 child shall terminate not earlier than the policy anniversary date after  
21 the date on which the child, stepchild or other dependent child attains  
22 the age of twenty-six.

23 (c) Each [such] policy subject to this section shall cover a stepchild or  
24 other dependent child on the same basis as a biological child.

25 Sec. 2. Section 38a-512b of the general statutes is repealed and the  
26 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2022*):

27 (a) Each group health insurance policy providing coverage of the type  
28 specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (6), (10), (11) and (12) of section 38a-  
29 469 delivered, issued for delivery, amended, renewed or continued in  
30 this state shall provide that coverage of a child, stepchild or other  
31 dependent child shall terminate [no] not earlier than the policy  
32 anniversary date [on or] after [whichever of the following occurs first,]  
33 the date on which the child, [ : Becomes covered under a group health  
34 plan through the dependent's own employment; or] stepchild or other  
35 dependent child attains the age of twenty-six.

36 (b) Each group health insurance policy described in subsection (a) of  
37 this section, and each group health insurance policy providing coverage  
38 of the type specified in subdivision (16) of section 38a-469 delivered,  
39 issued for delivery, amended, renewed or continued in this state, that  
40 includes or provides dental or vision coverage shall provide that dental  
41 or vision coverage of a child, stepchild or other dependent child shall  
42 terminate not earlier than the policy anniversary date after the date on  
43 which the child, stepchild or other dependent child attains the age of  
44 twenty-six.

45 (c) Each [such] policy subject to this section shall cover a stepchild or

46 other dependent child on the same basis as a biological child."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>January 1, 2022</i>	38a-497
Sec. 2	<i>January 1, 2022</i>	38a-512b