
SENATE BILL 5929

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By Senators Wojahn, Moyer, Bauer, Winsley and Long

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1 AN ACT Relating to written disclosure of health care coverage and
2 benefits; and adding a new section to chapter 48.01 RCW.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 48.01 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 In order to ensure that all individuals understand their health
7 care options and are able to make informed decisions, all insurers,
8 health care service contractors, and health maintenance organizations
9 shall provide employees, members, enrollees, or consumers with written
10 disclosure of coverage and benefits. This disclosure shall include
11 coverage principles and any exclusions or restrictions on coverage, and
12 make available upon request information on evaluation and treatment
13 policies for specific conditions. The information provided must be
14 current, easily understandable, and easily available prior to
15 enrollment or membership and upon request after enrollment or
16 membership.

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