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1 AN ACT Relating to requiring coverage for magnetic resonance
2 imaging for women at high risk of developing breast cancer; adding a
3 new section to chapter 48.43 RCW; and creating a new section.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that breast cancer
6 is the most frequently diagnosed cancer and the second leading cause
7 of cancer death among women in Washington. Early detection is key to
8 decreasing morbidity and mortality associated with breast cancer.
9 Women with risk factors that place them at higher than average risk
10 for developing breast cancer benefit from increased access to
11 screening, including supplemental screening using magnetic resonance
12 imaging.

13 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 48.43
14 RCW to read as follows:

15 For large group health plans issued or renewed on or after
16 January 1, 2023, a health carrier shall provide coverage without cost
17 sharing for supplemental magnetic resonance imaging breast cancer
18 screening for high-risk women as an adjunct to mammography consistent

1 with clinical guidelines, criteria, or treatment recommendations
2 adopted by the American cancer society.

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