

General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 142



Referred to Committee on INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE

Introduced by: SEN. KELLY, 21st Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING A STATE-OPERATED REINSURANCE PROGRAM AND HEALTH CARE COST GROWTH.

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

1 That title 38a of the general statutes be amended to: (1) Establish a 2 state-operated reinsurance program to cover claims for certain health 3 benefits under qualified health plans; (2) require the state to apply for a 4 waiver from the federal government pursuant to 42 USC 18052 that, if 5 granted, would fund such reinsurance program by reallocating any 6 premium tax credits and cost-sharing reductions that the federal 7 government would have paid to enrollees but for such reinsurance 8 program; (3) require the Office of Health Strategy to consider and adjust 9 for any unintended effects or impacts of primary care spending targets 10 funding for those with developmental disabilities when on 11 benchmarking; (4) require the Office of Health Strategy to institute a 12 program for prescription drug benchmarking; and (5) establish a task 13 force to study the impact of spread pricing with prescription drugs and 14 the savings or potential savings under current and alternative programs 15 for the pooling of purchasing of prescription drugs.

Statement of Purpose:

To: (1) Establish a state-operated reinsurance program; (2) require the state to apply for a state innovation waiver to fund such program; (3) require the Office of Health Strategy to consider and adjust for any unintended effects or impacts of primary care spending targets on funding for those with developmental disabilities when benchmarking; (4) require the Office of Health Strategy to institute a program for prescription drug benchmarking; and (5) establish a task force to study the impact of spread pricing with prescription drugs and the savings or potential savings under current and alternative programs for the pooling of purchasing of prescription drugs.