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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2013

AN ACT

RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES

Introduced By: Senator Roger Picard

Date Introduced: January 24, 2013

<u>Referred To:</u> Senate Health & Human Services

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- SECTION 1. Chapter 27-18 of the General Laws entitled "Accident and Sickness
 Insurance Policies" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:
- 3 27-18-79. Mandatory coverage for temporomandibular joint disorder. Every
- 4 individual or group hospital or medical expense insurance policy or individual or group hospital
- 5 or medical services plan contract delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed in this state on or after
- 6 January 1, 2014 shall provide coverage for diagnostic testing and treatment of
- 7 temporomandibular joint disorder; provided, however, this section shall not apply to insurance
- 8 <u>coverage providing benefits for:</u>
- 9 (1) Hospital confinement indemnity;
- 10 (2) Disability income;
- 11 (3) Accident only;
- 12 (4) Long-term care;
- 13 (5) Medicare supplement;
- 14 (6) Limited benefit health;
- 15 (7) Specified disease indemnity;
- 16 (8) Sickness or bodily injury or death by accident or both; and
- 17 (9) Other limited benefit policies.
- 18 SECTION 2. Chapter 27-19 of the General Laws entitled "Nonprofit Hospital Service
- 19 Corporations" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

1	27-19-70. Mandatory coverage for temporomandibular joint disorder Every
2	individual or group hospital or medical expense insurance policy or individual or group hospital
3	or medical services plan contract delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed in this state on or after
4	January 1, 2014 shall provide coverage for diagnostic testing and treatment of
5	temporomandibular joint disorder; provided, however, this section shall not apply to insurance
6	coverage providing benefits for:
7	(1) Hospital confinement indemnity:
8	(2) Disability income;
9	(3) Accident only;
10	(4) Long-term care;
11	(5) Medicare supplement;
12	(6) Limited benefit health:
13	(7) Specified disease indemnity;
14	(8) Sickness or bodily injury or death by accident or both; and
15	(9) Other limited benefit policies.
16	SECTION 3. Chapter 27-20 of the General Laws entitled "Nonprofit Medical Service
17	Corporations" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:
18	27-20-66. Mandatory coverage for temporomandibular joint disorders Every
19	individual or group hospital or medical expense insurance policy or individual or group hospital
20	or medical services plan contract delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed in this state on or after
21	January 1, 2014 shall provide coverage for diagnostic testing and treatment of
22	temporomandibular joint disorder; provided, however, this section shall not apply to insurance
23	coverage providing benefits for:
24	(1) Hospital confinement indemnity;
25	(2) Disability income;
26	(3) Accident only;
27	(4) Long-term care;
28	(5) Medicare supplement;
29	(6) Limited benefit health:
30	(7) Specified disease indemnity;
31	(8) Sickness or bodily injury or death by accident or both; and
32	(9) Other limited benefit policies.
33	SECTION 4. Chapter 27-20.1 of the General Laws entitled "Nonprofit Dental Service
34	Corporations" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

1	27-20.1-21. Mandatory coverage for temporomandibular joint disorder Every
2	individual or group hospital or medical expense insurance policy or individual or group hospital
3	or medical services plan contract delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed in this state on or after
4	January 1, 2014 shall provide coverage for diagnostic testing and treatment of
5	temporomandibular joint disorder; provided, however, this section shall not apply to insurance
6	coverage providing benefits for:
7	(1) Hospital confinement indemnity;
8	(2) Disability income;
9	(3) Accident only:
10	(4) Long-term care;
11	(5) Medicare supplement;
12	(6) Limited benefit health:
13	(7) Specified disease indemnity;
14	(8) Sickness or bodily injury or death by accident or both; and
15	(9) Other limited benefit policies.
16	SECTION 5. Chapter 27-41 of the General Laws entitled "Health Maintenance
17	Organizations" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:
18	27-41-83. Mandatory coverage for temporomandibular joint disorder Every
19	individual or group hospital or medical expense insurance policy or individual or group hospital
20	or medical services plan contract delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed in this state on or after
21	January 1, 2014 shall provide coverage for diagnostic testing and treatment of
22	temporomandibular joint disorder; provided, however, this section shall not apply to insurance
23	coverage providing benefits for:
24	(1) Hospital confinement indemnity;
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26	(2) Disability income;
	(2) Disability income;(3) Accident only;
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27 28	(3) Accident only:
	(3) Accident only: (4) Long-term care;
28	(3) Accident only: (4) Long-term care; (5) Medicare supplement;
28 29	 (3) Accident only; (4) Long-term care; (5) Medicare supplement; (6) Limited benefit health;

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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1 This act would require that health insurance policies include coverage for 2 temporomandibular joint disorder.

3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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