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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RELATING TO INSURANCE

Introduced By: Senators Blais, and Maher

Date Introduced: March 10, 2010

Referred To: Senate Health & Human Services

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 27-18 of the General Laws entitled "Accident and Sickness  
2 Insurance Policies" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3           **27-18-71. Provision of outpatient laboratory testing.** -- [The provision of blood or urine](#)  
4 [testing on an outpatient basis shall be reimbursed at the prevailing rate for such outpatient](#)  
5 [services, and shall not be reimbursed at the hospital rate merely because the testing facility is](#)  
6 [owned by, affiliated with or located in a hospital.](#)

7           SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION  
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- 1           This act would prevent reimbursement for blood and urine testing at hospital rates simply
- 2 because the testing facility happens to be affiliated with a hospital.
- 3           This act would take effect upon passage.

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