
SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

2015 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Senator Heitmeier to Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 173 by Senator Heitmeier

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 2, delete line 6 and insert "**and patient self-management education training.**
3 **This**"

4 AMENDMENT NO. 2

5 On page 2, at the end of line 12, insert "**A health insurance issuer providing coverage**
6 **pursuant to this Section may limit such coverage to services provided by a specific**
7 **limited network of providers based on quality and efficiency factors.**"

8 AMENDMENT NO. 3

9 On page 2, after line 20, insert the following:

10 **"D. A health insurance issuer shall only be required to cover the services**
11 **described in this Section to persons between the ages of seventeen and sixty-five years**
12 **of age.**

13 **E. For coverage of any surgery under this Section, a health insurance issuer**
14 **may establish the following limitations on such coverage:**

15 **(1) Require that the insured and his provider provide documented evidence that**
16 **he has exhausted all reasonable, nonsurgical options prior to seeking surgery as**
17 **provided by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services National Coverage**
18 **Determination for Bariatric Surgery. Such options shall include but not be limited to**
19 **diet, exercise, and approved medications.**

20 **(2) Establish guidelines for the insured and his provider to follow that ensure**
21 **that candidates for surgery receive comprehensive medical and behavioral clearance**
22 **from the provider prior to being approved for surgery.**

23 **(3) Limit coverage for surgery to not more than one surgery per lifetime for any**
24 **insured, unless surgery is required due to complications due to a prior surgery covered**
25 **in accordance with this Section.**

26 **(4) Limit the benefit payable for any surgical procedure to not more than fifteen**
27 **thousand dollars per lifetime. Any additional amounts payable for such surgery shall**
28 **be the responsibility of the insured.**

29 **F. A health insurance issuer providing coverage under this Section may exclude**
30 **coverage for the following items:**

31 **(1) Any membership or access fee charged by a provider.**

32 **(2) Meals or meal supplements.**