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REQUIRE HMOs TO COVER MEDICALLY NECESSARY SERVICES

House Bill 5536

Sponsor: Rep. Chris Kolb Committee: Health Policy

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5536 AS INTRODUCED 12-13-01

Chapter 35 of the Insurance Code regulates health maintenance organizations (HMOs) and requires that HMO contracts include "basic health services". House Bill 5536 would amend the code (MCL 500.3501) to revise the operative definition of "basic health services" to include, in addition to the various services currently specified, other health services that are considered medically necessary by the treating physician.

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