



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

Bill Analysis

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S.B. 39

130th General Assembly
(As introduced)

Sens. Brown and Schiavoni, Turner, Sawyer, Gentile, Smith, Tavares

BILL SUMMARY

- Requires health insurers to cover expenses related to screenings and vaccinations for human papillomavirus.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

The bill requires individual and group policies, contracts, or agreements of health insurance provided by a multiple employer welfare arrangement, health insuring corporation, sickness and accident insurer, or public employee benefit plan to provide benefits covering expenses related to screenings and vaccinations for human papillomavirus. Such services are required to be covered as prescribed in guidance issued by the United States Center for Disease Control and Prevention.¹

Exemption from review by the Superintendent of Insurance

The requirements of this bill may be considered mandated health benefits. Under R.C. 3901.71, no mandated health benefits legislation enacted by the General Assembly may be applied to any policy, contract, plan, or other arrangement providing sickness and accident or other health benefits until the Superintendent of Insurance determines, pursuant to a hearing conducted in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act,² that the provision can be applied fully and equally in all respects to (1) employee benefit plans subject to regulation by the federal Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and (2) employee benefit plans established or modified by the state or any political subdivision of the state, or by any agency or

¹ R.C. 1739.05(B), 1751.621, and 3923.521.

² R.C. Chapter 119.

instrumentality of the state or any political subdivision of the state. The bill includes provisions that exempt its requirements from this restriction.³

HISTORY

ACTION	DATE
Introduced	02-12-13

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³ R.C. 3923.521.

