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SYNOPSIS

Requires health insurance carriers to provide coverage for epinephrine auto-injector devices and asthma inhalers; limits cost sharing for health insurance coverage of insulin.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Budget Committee on June 27, 2023, with amendments.

(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 6/30/2023)

1 AN ACT concerning cost sharing for certain prescription drugs,
 2 amending P.L.1995, c.331, and supplementing various parts of
 3 the statutory law.

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 5 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
 6 *of New Jersey:*

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 8 1. Section 1 of P.L.1995, c.331 (C.17:48-6n) is amended to
 9 read as follows:

10 1. a. Every individual or group hospital service corporation
 11 contract providing hospital or medical expense benefits that is
 12 delivered, issued, executed or renewed in this State pursuant to
 13 P.L.1938, c.366 (C.17:48-1 et seq.) or approved for issuance or
 14 renewal in this State by the Commissioner of Banking and
 15 Insurance on or after the effective date of this act shall provide
 16 benefits to any subscriber or other person covered thereunder for
 17 expenses incurred for the following equipment and supplies for the
 18 treatment of diabetes, if recommended or prescribed by a physician
 19 or nurse practitioner/clinical nurse specialist: blood glucose
 20 monitors and blood glucose monitors for the legally blind; test
 21 strips for glucose monitors and visual reading and urine testing
 22 strips; insulin; injection aids; cartridges for the legally blind;
 23 syringes; insulin pumps and appurtenances thereto; insulin infusion
 24 devices; and oral agents for controlling blood sugar. Coverage for
 25 the purchase of ¹a ²short-acting, intermediate acting, ²rapid acting,
 26 long-acting, and pre-mixed¹ insulin ¹product¹ shall not be subject to
 27 any deductible, and no copayment or coinsurance for the purchase
 28 of insulin shall exceed \$35 per 30-day supply. The provisions of
 29 this subsection shall apply to a high deductible health plan to the
 30 maximum extent permitted by federal law, except if the plan is used
 31 to establish a medical savings account pursuant to section 220 of
 32 the federal Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. s.220) or a
 33 health savings account pursuant to section 223 of the federal
 34 Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. s.223). The provisions
 35 of this subsection shall apply to the plan to the maximum extent that
 36 is permitted by federal law and does not disqualify the account for
 37 the deduction allowed under section 220 or 223, as applicable.
 38 ¹The provisions of this subsection shall apply to a plan that meets
 39 the requirements of a catastrophic plan, as defined in 45 C.F.R.
 40 s.156.155, to the maximum extent permitted by federal law.¹

41 b. Each individual or group hospital service corporation
 42 contract shall also provide benefits for expenses incurred for
 43 diabetes self-management education to ensure that a person with
 44 diabetes is educated as to the proper self-management and treatment

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

