

General Assembly

January Session, 2025

Raised Bill No. 6771

LCO No. **3669**

Referred to Committee on AGING

Introduced by: (AGE)

AN ACT REQUIRING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR BIOMARKER TESTING.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2026*) (a) As used in this section:

(1) "Biomarker" means a characteristic, including, but not limited to,
a gene mutation or protein expression that can be objectively measured
and evaluated as an indicator of normal biological processes, pathogenic
processes or pharmacologic responses to a specific therapeutic
intervention for a disease or condition.

7 (2) "Biomarker testing" means the analysis of a patient's tissue, blood
8 or other biospecimen for the presence of a biomarker, including, but not
9 limited to, tests for a single substance, tests for multiple substances,
10 diseases or conditions and whole genome sequencing.

(b) Each individual health insurance policy providing coverage of the
type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469
of the general statutes delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended
or continued in this state on or after January 1, 2026, shall provide

15 coverage for biomarker testing for the purpose of diagnosis, treatment,

- appropriate management or ongoing monitoring of an insured's diseaseor condition.
- 18 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2026*) (a) As used in this section:

(1) "Biomarker" means a characteristic, including, but not limited to,
a gene mutation or protein expression that can be objectively measured
and evaluated as an indicator of normal biological processes, pathogenic
processes or pharmacologic responses to a specific therapeutic
intervention for a disease or condition.

- (2) "Biomarker testing" means the analysis of a patient's tissue, blood
 or other biospecimen for the presence of a biomarker, including, but not
 limited to, tests for a single substance, tests for multiple substances,
 diseases or conditions and whole genome sequencing.
- (b) Each group health insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 of the general statutes delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state on or after January 1, 2026, shall provide coverage for biomarker testing for the purpose of diagnosis, treatment, appropriate management or ongoing monitoring of an insured's disease or condition.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	January 1, 2026	New section
Sec. 2	January 1, 2026	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To require health insurance coverage for biomarker testing.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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