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Committee Bill No. 806

LCO No. 4105



Referred to Committee on HUMAN SERVICES

Introduced by:
(HS)

AN ACT EXPANDING MEDICAID COVERAGE FOR TREATMENT OF CERTAIN EMERGENCY MEDICAL CONDITIONS.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2025*) (a) As used in this section, (1)
2 "emergency medical condition" means a medical condition, including
3 emergency labor and delivery, manifesting itself by acute symptoms of
4 sufficient severity, including severe pain, such that the absence of
5 immediate medical attention could reasonably be expected to result in
6 (A) placing the patient's health in serious jeopardy, (B) serious
7 impairment to bodily functions, or (C) serious dysfunction of any bodily
8 organ or part; and (2) "emergency Medicaid coverage" means Medicaid
9 coverage for treatment of an emergency medical condition.

10 (b) The Commissioner of Social Services shall expand emergency
11 Medicaid coverage consistent with federal law for treatment of
12 emergency medical conditions, including, but not limited to, emergency
13 medical conditions related to (1) a high-risk pregnancy, (2) diabetes
14 Type 1 in persons under the age of twenty-one, (3) diabetic emergencies,
15 including, but not limited to, diabetic ketoacidosis, (4) renal failure
16 requiring ongoing dialysis, (5) fracture of a bone in the skull, arm, neck,

17 leg, spine or pelvis occurring in the two-month period prior to a request
 18 for emergency Medicaid coverage, (6) hypertensive emergencies
 19 involving persons presenting with signs or symptoms of end organ
 20 damage and systolic blood pressure equaling or exceeding one hundred
 21 eighty or diastolic blood pressure equaling or exceeding one hundred
 22 twenty, (7) unstable seizure disorder characterized by at least five
 23 minutes of uncontrollable seizures or at least two discrete seizures
 24 between which the person does not regain consciousness, (8) active
 25 treatment for cancer related to a current diagnosis, (9) ventilator
 26 dependency, (10) labor and delivery, and (11) acute inpatient or
 27 outpatient psychiatric treatment.

28 (c) Not later than July 1, 2026, the commissioner shall establish an
 29 administrative system for persons to apply in advance for emergency
 30 Medicaid coverage for emergency medical conditions that can be
 31 treated in outpatient settings rather than in hospital emergency
 32 departments. The commissioner shall include a prominent link to the
 33 application and a list of covered emergency medical conditions on the
 34 Internet web site of the Department of Social Services. The
 35 commissioner shall also include information about advance
 36 applications for emergency Medicaid coverage and a list of covered
 37 emergency medical conditions in department forms and policy
 38 manuals.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	July 1, 2025	New section
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Statement of Purpose:

To improve public health by maximizing use of Medicaid funding for treatment of certain emergency medical conditions.

[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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