

2026 -- H 7744

=====
LC005064
=====

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2026

—————
A N A C T

RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES

Introduced By: Representative Brandon C. Potter

Date Introduced: February 12, 2026

Referred To: House Health & Human Services

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 27-18-33 of the General Laws in Chapter 27-18 entitled "Accident
2 and Sickness Insurance Policies" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **27-18-33. Drug coverage.**

4 ~~No~~ Any group health insurer subject to the provisions of this chapter that provides coverage
5 for prescription drugs under a group plan master contract delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed
6 in this state shall offer a minimum of two (2) options for the delivery of prescription drugs, but is
7 prohibited from requiring ~~may require~~ any person covered under the contract to obtain prescription
8 drugs from a mail order pharmacy as a condition of obtaining benefits for the drugs.

9 SECTION 2. Section 27-19-26 of the General Laws in Chapter 27-19 entitled "Nonprofit
10 Hospital Service Corporations" is hereby amended to read as follows:

11 **27-19-26. Drug coverage.**

12 ~~No~~ Any group health insurer subject to the provisions of this chapter that provides coverage
13 for prescription drugs under a group plan master contract delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed
14 in this state shall offer a minimum of two (2) options for the delivery of prescription drugs, but is
15 prohibited from requiring ~~may require~~ any person covered under the contract to obtain prescription
16 drugs from a mail order pharmacy as a condition of obtaining benefits for the drugs.

17 SECTION 3. Section 27-20-23 of the General Laws in Chapter 27-20 entitled "Nonprofit
18 Medical Service Corporations" is hereby amended to read as follows:

19 **27-20-23. Drug coverage.**

1 ~~No~~ Any group health insurer subject to the provisions of this chapter that provides coverage
2 for prescription drugs under a group plan master contract delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed
3 in this state shall offer a minimum of two (2) options for the delivery of prescription drugs, but is
4 prohibited from requiring ~~may require~~ any person covered under the contract to obtain prescription
5 drugs from a mail order pharmacy as a condition of obtaining benefits for the drugs.

6 SECTION 4. Section 27-41-38 of the General Laws in Chapter 27-41 entitled "Health
7 Maintenance Organizations" is hereby amended to read as follows:

8 **27-41-38. Drug coverage.**

9 ~~No~~ Any health maintenance organization that provides coverage for prescription drugs
10 under a group plan master contract delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed in this state shall offer
11 a minimum of two (2) options for the delivery of prescription drugs, but is prohibited from requiring
12 ~~may require~~ any person covered under the contract to obtain prescription drugs from a mail order
13 pharmacy as a condition of obtaining benefits for the drugs.

14 SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon passage.

=====
LC005064
=====

EXPLANATION
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
OF
A N A C T
RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES

- 1 This act would amend the law on drug coverage to require insurance plans that provide
- 2 coverage for prescription drugs to offer two options for prescription delivery.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

=====
LC005064
=====