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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2021

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RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES

Introduced By: Representatives Potter, Cassar, Carson, Kislak, Giraldo, Morales, Baginski, Cortvriend, McGaw, and Henries

Date Introduced: February 24, 2021

Referred To: House Health & Human Services

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 27-18 of the General Laws entitled "Accident and Sickness Insurance
2 Policies" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 **27-18-85. Coverage for backup batteries for at-home medical devices.**

4 Every individual or group health insurance contract, plan, or policy contract delivered,
5 issued for delivery, or renewed in this state on or after January 1, 2022, shall provide coverage for
6 a backup battery for at-home medical devices.

7 SECTION 2. Chapter 27-19 of the General Laws entitled "Nonprofit Hospital Service
8 Corporations" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

9 **27-19-77. Coverage for backup batteries for at-home medical devices.**

10 Every individual or group health insurance contract, plan, or policy contract delivered,
11 issued for delivery, or renewed in this state on or after January 1, 2022, shall provide coverage for
12 a backup battery for at-home medical devices.

13 SECTION 3. Chapter 27-20 of the General Laws entitled "Nonprofit Medical Service
14 Corporations" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

15 **27-20-73. Coverage for backup batteries for at-home medical devices.**

16 Every individual or group health insurance contract, plan, or policy contract delivered,
17 issued for delivery, or renewed in this state on or after January 1, 2022, shall provide coverage for
18 a backup battery for at-home medical devices.

19 SECTION 4. Chapter 27-41 of the General Laws entitled "Health Maintenance

1 Organizations" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

2 **27-41-90. Coverage for backup batteries for at-home medical devices.**

3 [Every individual or group health insurance contract, plan, delivered, issued for delivery, or](#)
4 [renewed in this state on or after January 1, 2022, shall provide coverage for a backup battery for](#)
5 [at-home medical devices.](#)

6 SECTION 5. This act shall take effect on January 1, 2022.

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EXPLANATION
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1 This act would require health insurance contract plans or policies to provide coverage for
2 a backup battery for at-home medical devices.

3 This act would take effect on January 1, 2022.

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