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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2023

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RELATING TO INSURANCE -- INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR MENTAL ILLNESS AND  
SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Introduced By: Representatives Shallcross Smith, Cortvriend, Spears, Casimiro, Ajello,  
Kazarian, Kislak, Hull, and Fenton-Fung

Date Introduced: March 03, 2023

Referred To: House Corporations

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 27-38.2 of the General Laws entitled "Insurance Coverage for Mental  
2 Illness and Substance Abuse" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 **27-38.2-7. Reimbursement from private insurers.**

4 Every individual or group health insurance contract, plan, or policy delivered, issued, or  
5 renewed by an insurer, health maintenance organization, nonprofit or for-profit health service  
6 corporation on or after January 1, 2024, that provides benefits to individual subscribers and  
7 members within the state, or to all group members having a principal place of employment within  
8 the state, shall reimburse child care service providers for therapy services offered through EOHHS  
9 certified Kids Connect/Therapeutic Childcare Services.

10 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION  
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
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- 1           This act would require private insurers to reimburse child care service providers for therapy
- 2 services offered through EOHHS certified Kids Connect/Therapeutic Childcare Services. This
- 3 coverage would be effective January 1, 2024.
- 4           This act would take effect upon passage.

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