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FE Sent For:

Kahler, Pam

From: Kelly, Jessica
Sent: Thursday, December 07, 2006 4:42 PM
To: Kahler, Pam
Subject: 2005 LRB 4493 AB 1217

Can you please have this drafted as a Senate Bill?

Thank you.

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*ins coverage of
hearing aids & cochlear
implants for infants
up to one year*



State of Wisconsin
2007 - 2008 LEGISLATURE

1074/1
LRB-0659/2
PJK/nd/mwn
stays

2007 BILL

Regen

1 AN ACT *to amend* 40.51 (8), 40.51 (8m), 66.0137 (4), 111.91 (2) (n), 120.13 (2) (g),
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4 and (10), 632.747, 632.748, 632.83, 632.835, 632.85, 632.853, 632.855, 632.87 (3) to
5 (6), 632.895 (5m) and (8) to ~~(14)~~ (15), and 632.896.

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13 provides health care benefits, to its officers and employees on a self-insured basis,
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15 632.746 (10) (a) 2. and (b) 2., 632.747 (3), 632.85, 632.853, 632.855, 632.87 (4), (5),
16 and (6), 632.895 (9) to ~~(14)~~ (15), 632.896, and 767.513 (4).

17 **SECTION 4.** 111.91 (2) (n) of the statutes is amended to read:

18 111.91 (2) (n) The provision to employees of the health insurance coverage
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8 632.853, 632.855, 632.87 (2m), (3), (4), (5), and (6), 632.895 (10) to ~~(14)~~ (15), and
9 632.897 (10) and chs. 149 and 155.

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14 631.95, 632.72 (2), 632.745 to 632.749, 632.775, 632.79, 632.795, 632.85, 632.853,
15 632.855, 632.87 (2m), (3), (4), (5), and (6), 632.895 (5) and (9) to ~~(14)~~ (15), 632.896, and
16 632.897 (10) and chs. 609, 630, 635, 645, and 646, but the sponsoring association
17 shall:

18 **SECTION 8.** 609.86 of the statutes is created to read:

19 **609.86 Coverage of hearing aids and cochlear implants for infants and**
20 **young children.** Defined network plans are subject to s. 632.895 (15).

21 **SECTION 9.** 632.895 (15) of the statutes is created to read:

22 632.895 (15) HEARING AIDS AND COCHLEAR IMPLANTS FOR INFANTS **AND YOUNG**
23 **CHILDREN.** (a) In this subsection:

24 1. "Hearing aid" has the meaning given in s. 459.01 (2).

25 2. "Physician" has the meaning given in s. 448.01 (5).

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1 (b) Except as provided in par. (d), every disability insurance policy, and every
 2 self-insured health plan of the state or a county, city, town, village, or school district,
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 4 covered under the policy or plan who is under ~~five years~~ [✓] of age and who is certified
 5 as deaf or severely hearing impaired by a physician or by an audiologist licensed
 6 under subch. II of ch. 459.

one year

7 (c) The coverage required under par. (b) may be subject to any limitations,
 8 exclusions, or cost-sharing provisions that apply generally under the disability
 9 insurance policy or self-insured health plan.

10 (d) This subsection does not apply to any of the following:

- 11 1. A disability insurance policy that covers only certain specified diseases.
- 12 2. A health care plan offered by a limited service health organization, as defined
 13 in s. 609.01 (3), or by a preferred provider plan, as defined in s. 609.01 (4), that is not
 14 a defined network plan, as defined in s. 609.01 (1b).
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 19 that are issued or renewed, and self-insured health plans that are established,
 20 extended, modified, or renewed, on the effective date of this paragraph.

21 (b) Disability insurance policies covering employees who are affected by a
 22 collective bargaining agreement containing provisions inconsistent with this act
 23 that are issued or renewed on the earlier of the following:

- 24 1. The day on which the collective bargaining agreement expires.

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Kahler, Pam

From: Kelly, Jessica
Sent: Monday, December 11, 2006 4:49 PM
To: Kahler, Pam
Subject: RE: 2005 AB 1217

Yes, please

From: Kahler, Pam
Sent: Mon 12/11/2006 11:05 AM
To: Kelly, Jessica
Subject: RE: 2005 AB 1217

Are you saying that you want one year changed to 5 years, too?

From: Kelly, Jessica
Sent: Monday, December 11, 2006 9:52 AM
To: Kahler, Pam
Subject: FW: 2005 AB 1217

FYI. Thanks.

From: Schneider, Marlin
Sent: Fri 12/8/2006 9:23 AM
To: Kelly, Jessica
Subject: RE: 2005 AB 1217

I have the draft and you can get a Senate draft. There is one change in that it goes to 5 years old. I would love your help on that and some other bills too.

From: Kelly, Jessica
Sent: Thursday, December 07, 2006 4:44 PM
To: Schoenfield, Mike; Schneider, Marlin
Subject: 2005 AB 1217

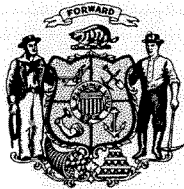
We would like to introduce AB 1217 from last session as a senate companion. Do you mind? Are you re-introducing it? We would love to put out a joint co-sponsorship memo.

Please let me know ASAP. Thanks.

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Kahler, Pam

From: Kelly, Jessica
Sent: Friday, February 09, 2007 1:52 PM
To: Kahler, Pam
Subject: RE: Marlin Schneider Co-Sponsors for LRB-0659/2 Relating to Requiring Health Insurance Coverage of Hearing Aids and Cochlear Implants

Yes, please.

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You already have it - it's LRB-1074/2. Do you want it jacketed?

From: Duerst, Christina
Sent: Friday, February 09, 2007 1:45 PM
To: Kahler, Pam
Subject: FW: Marlin Schneider Co-Sponsors for LRB-0659/2 Relating to Requiring Health Insurance Coverage of Hearing Aids and Cochlear Implants

From: Kelly, Jessica
Sent: Friday, February 09, 2007 1:37 PM
To: LRB.Legal
Subject: FW: Marlin Schneider Co-Sponsors for LRB-0659/2 Relating to Requiring Health Insurance Coverage of Hearing Aids and Cochlear Implants

Can you please have a Senate Companion drafted for LRB 0659/2?

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From: Schoenfield, Mike
Sent: Friday, February 09, 2007 11:50 AM
To: Kelly, Jessica
Subject: RE: Marlin Schneider Co-Sponsors for LRB-0659/2 Relating to Requiring Health Insurance Coverage of Hearing Aids and Cochlear

Implants

Jessica,

A Senate companion bill would be very nice and useful. Thanks.

Michael

From: Kelly, Jessica
Sent: Wednesday, February 07, 2007 3:41 PM
To: Schoenfield, Mike
Subject: RE: Marlin Schneider Co-Sponsors for LRB-0659/2 Relating to Requiring Health Insurance Coverage of Hearing Aids and Cochlear Implants

Mike,

Does Marlin still want us to do a companion on this?

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From: Schoenfield, Mike
Sent: Wednesday, February 07, 2007 3:13 PM
To: *Legislative All Assembly; *Legislative All Senate
Subject: FW: Marlin Schneider Co-Sponsors for LRB-0659/2 Relating to Requiring Health Insurance Coverage of Hearing Aids and Cochlear Implants

From: Schoenfield, Mike
Sent: Friday, February 02, 2007
To: *Legislative All Assembly; *Legislative All Senate
Subject: FW: Marlin Schneider Co-Sponsors for LRB-0659/2 Relating to Requiring Health Insurance Coverage of Hearing Aids and Cochlear Implants

TO: ALL LEGISLATORS

FROM: Representative Marlin D. Schneider

DATE: February 7, 2007

RE: Marlin Schneider Co-Sponsors for LRB-0659/2 Relating to Requiring Health Insurance Coverage of Hearing Aids and Cochlear Implants

I am introducing LRB-0659/2 Relating to Requiring Health Insurance Coverage of Hearing Aids and Cochlear Implants for infants and young children under five years of age.

Please contact Representative Schneider at 266-0215 by February 16th at 4:00 P.M., if you are interested in becoming a co-sponsor of this legislation

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Duerst, Christina

From: Kelly, Jessica
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