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SENATE BILL 37

43RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 1998

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS; PROHIBITING DISCRIMINATION
AGAINST CERTIFIED NURSE PRACTITIONERS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. Section 59A-46-35 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1987,
Chapter 335, Section 1, as amended) is amended to read:

"59A-46-35. PROVIDER DISCRIMINATION PROHIBITED. -- No
class of licensed individual providers willing to meet the
terms and conditions offered by a health maintenance
organization shall be excluded from a health maintenance
organization. For purposes of this section, "providers" means
those persons licensed [~~under Articles~~] pursuant to Section
61-3-23.2 NMSA 1978 or Article 2, 4, [5] 5A, 6, 8, 9, 10 or 11
of Chapter 61 NMSA 1978."

Section 2. A new section of the New Mexico Insurance

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Code, Section 59A-47-28.3 NMSA 1978, is enacted to read:
"59A-47-28.3. [NEW MATERIAL] PROVIDER DISCRIMINATION
PROHIBITED. --All individual and group subscriber contracts
delivered or issued for delivery in New Mexico that, on a
prepaid, service or indemnity basis, or all of them, provide
for treatment of persons for the prevention, cure or
correction of an illness or physical or mental condition shall
include coverage for the services of a certified nurse
practitioner. Deductibles, limits of coverage or other terms
and conditions of coverage for certified nurse practitioners
shall not differ substantially from coverage for the same or
similar services provided by other practitioners."

1 FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

2 SECOND SESSION, 1998

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6 January 30, 1998

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8 Mr. President:

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10 Your COMMITTEES' COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

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12 SENATE BILL 37

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14 has had it under consideration and finds same to be GERMANE,
15 pursuant to Senate Executive Message No. 34, and thence referred to
16 the PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE.

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19 Respectfully submitted,

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8 Mr. President:

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10 Your PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

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14 has had it under consideration and reports same with recommendation
15 that it DO PASS.

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The roll call vote was 5 For 0 Against

Yes: 5

No: 0

Excused: Boitano, Garcia, Smith, Vernon

Absent: None

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8 Mr. Speaker:

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10 Your BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY COMMITTEE, to whom has been
11 referred

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15 has had it under consideration and reports same with
16 recommendation that it DO PASS, amended as follows:

17 1. On page 2, line 12, after "practitioners." insert:

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19 "Nothing in this section shall restrict a health care plan from
20 including in the terms of its coverage any benefit differences based
21 on differences in the scope of practice of health care
22 practitioners."

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4 Respectfully submitted,

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16 The roll call vote was 8 For 0 Against

17 Yes: 8

18 Excused: Alwin, Olguin, J. G. Taylor, Varela

19 Absent: Getty

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