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SENATE BILL DRS45206-MR-73

Short Title: Essential Health Benefits/Assoc. Health Plans. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Batch, Crawford, and deViere (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO REQUIRE ASSOCIATION HEALTH PLANS TO PROVIDE COVERAGE FOR  
3 ESSENTIAL HEALTH BENEFITS.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 SECTION 1. G.S. 58-50A-20 reads as rewritten:

6 "§ 58-50A-20. Health plan requirements.

7 Any group health plan offered by a sponsoring association must meet all of the following  
8 requirements:

- 9 (1) Neither be offered nor advertised to the public generally.  
10 (2) Provides a level of coverage equal to or greater than sixty percent (60%) of  
11 the actuarial value of allowed costs for covered benefits.  
12 (3) Provides coverage for hospital and physician services.  
13 (4) Complies with the provisions of G.S. 58-3-150.  
14 (5) Provides coverage for the essential health benefits listed in 42 U.S.C. §  
15 18022(b)."

16 SECTION 2. This act becomes effective October 1, 2021, and applies to contracts  
17 entered into, amended, or renewed on or after that date.

