

1 H.602

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7 Referred to Committee on

8 Date:

9 Subject: Health; health insurance; prostate screening

10 Statement of purpose: This bill proposes to eliminate a requirement that health  
11 insurers provide coverage for prostate cancer screening.

12 An act relating to eliminating required insurance coverage for prostate  
13 cancer screening

14 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

15 Sec. 1. 8 V.S.A. § 4100f is amended to read:

16 ~~§ 4100f. PROSTATE SCREENINGS; COVERAGE REQUIRED~~

17 ~~(a) Health insurers shall provide coverage for prostate cancer screenings~~  
18 ~~consistent with the recommendations by the Centers for Disease Control and~~  
19 ~~Prevention or upon recommendation of a health care provider. Benefits~~  
20 ~~provided shall be at least as favorable as coverage for other cancer screening~~

1 ~~procedures and subject to the same dollar limits, deductibles, and coinsurance~~  
2 ~~factors within the provisions of the policy.~~

3 (b) ~~For purposes of this section, "health insurer" is defined by section 9402~~  
4 ~~of Title 18. The term does not apply to coverage for specified disease or other~~  
5 ~~limited benefit coverage. [Repealed.]~~

6 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

7 This act shall take effect on October 1, 2012 and shall apply to all health  
8 insurance plans and health benefit plans on and after October 1, 2012 on such  
9 date as a health insurer issues, offers, or renews the plan, but in no event later  
10 than October 1, 2013.