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HOUSE BILL 01-1310

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF ADULT PREVENTATIVE HEALTH CARE**
102 **SERVICES BY HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS, AND, IN CONNECTION**
103 **THEREWITH, CREATING THE "COLORADO HEALTH AND**
104 **WELLNESS PROMOTION ACT".**

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not necessarily reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted.)

Establishes the "Colorado Health and Wellness Promotion Act". Requires large group health benefit plans to provide preventative health care services to adults who are at least 20 years of age.

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** Part 1 of article 16 of title 10, Colorado Revised
3 Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION to read:

4 **10-16-104.7. Legislative declaration - Colorado health and**
5 **wellness promotion act.** (1) THIS SECTION SHALL BE KNOWN AND MAY
6 BE CITED AS THE "COLORADO HEALTH AND WELLNESS PROMOTION ACT".

7 (2) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS AND DECLARES THAT THE
8 DEVELOPMENT OF HEALTH PROMOTION AND HEALTH-RISK REDUCTION
9 PROGRAMS WILL SERVE THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE PUBLIC WELFARE BY
10 ENCOURAGING HEALTH CARE CONSUMERS TO ENGAGE IN HEALTHY
11 LIFESTYLE BEHAVIORS WHICH WILL RESULT IN A REDUCTION OF THE
12 LONG-TERM COSTS OF PROVIDING HEALTH CARE. RECOGNIZING THAT THE
13 BASIC AND STANDARD HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN IS AN OPTION AVAILABLE TO
14 SMALL EMPLOYERS, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ENCOURAGES PARTICIPATION
15 IN HEALTHY LIFESTYLES, AND FINDS THAT IT IS NECESSARY TO REQUIRE
16 THAT HEALTH INSURANCE BENEFITS AND HEALTH CARE SERVICES BE
17 PROVIDED FOR PREVENTATIVE ADULT HEALTH CARE SERVICES.

18 (3) FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, UNLESS THE CONTEXT
19 OTHERWISE REQUIRES:

20 (a) "ADULT" MEANS A PERSON WHO IS TWENTY YEARS OF AGE OR
21 OLDER;

22 (b) "PREVENTATIVE ADULT HEALTH CARE SERVICES" MEANS THOSE
23 PREVENTATIVE SERVICES AND IMMUNIZATIONS REQUIRED TO BE PROVIDED
24 TO AN ADULT IN BASIC AND STANDARD HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS AS
25 ESTABLISHED IN SECTION 10-8-606.

26 (4) ANY GROUP HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN, EXCEPT ANY PLAN ISSUED
27 TO SMALL EMPLOYERS, THAT IS ISSUED IN COLORADO OR COVERING A

1 COLORADO RESIDENT SHALL PROVIDE THAT THE HEALTH INSURANCE
2 BENEFITS APPLICABLE TO ADULTS INCLUDE COVERAGE FOR PREVENTATIVE
3 ADULT HEALTH CARE SERVICES.

4 **SECTION 2. Effective date - applicability.** This act shall take
5 effect January 1, 2002, and shall apply to all policies issued or renewed
6 on or after said date.

7 **SECTION 3. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,
8 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
9 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.