

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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BROOKS, GABLER, DAY AND GRELL, FEBRUARY 25, 2013

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE, FEBRUARY 25, 2013

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 40 (Insurance) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, providing for compliance with Federal health care
3 legislation.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Part II heading of Title 40 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

8 PART II

9 REGULATION OF INSURERS AND RELATED

10 PERSONS GENERALLY

11 [(Reserved)]

12 Section 2. Part II of Title 40 is amended by adding a
13 chapter to read:

14 Chapter

15 33. Compliance with Federal Health Care Legislation

16 CHAPTER 33

17 COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL

1 HEALTH CARE LEGISLATION

2 Sec.

3 3301. Definitions.

4 3302. Opt-out for abortion.

5 § 3301. Definitions.

6 The following words and phrases when used in this chapter
7 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
8 context clearly indicates otherwise:

9 "Abortion." The term shall have the same meaning given to it
10 in 18 Pa.C.S. § 3203 (relating to definitions).

11 "Complication." The term shall have the same meaning given
12 to it in 18 Pa.C.S. § 3203 (relating to definitions).

13 "Health insurance exchange." The term shall mean an
14 insurance system established to comply with section 1311(b) or
15 1321(c) of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act
16 (Public Law 111-148, 42 U.S.C. § 18031(b) or 18041(c)).

17 § 3302. Opt-out for abortion.

18 (a) Prohibition.--The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby
19 elects pursuant to the authority granted the states under
20 section 1303(a) of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care
21 Act (Public Law 111-148, 42 U.S.C. § 18023(a)) to prohibit
22 certain abortion coverage in qualified health plans offered
23 through the health insurance exchange under subsection (b).

24 (b) Included coverage prohibition.--No qualified health plan
25 offered in this Commonwealth through the health insurance
26 exchange shall include coverage for the performance of any
27 abortion unless the reason the abortion is performed is one for
28 which the expenditure of public funds would be permitted under
29 18 Pa.C.S. § 3215(c) (relating to publicly owned facilities;
30 public officials and public funds).

1 (c) Excluded coverage prohibited.--No qualified health plan
2 offered in this Commonwealth through a health insurance exchange
3 shall exclude coverage for:

4 (1) Treatment of any postabortion complication.

5 (2) Treatment of any miscarriage or any complication
6 related to a miscarriage.

7 (d) Option.--Nothing in this section shall prohibit an
8 individual from purchasing optional supplemental abortion
9 coverage provided the individual pays a separate premium for the
10 coverage and obtains the coverage outside of the health
11 insurance exchange.

12 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.