

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1802 Session of
1993

INTRODUCED BY HERMAN, MELIO, PETRONE, LYNCH, RAYMOND, MIHALICH,
TRELLO, GEIST, BELFANTI, OLASZ AND STABACK, JUNE 16, 1993

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE, JUNE 16, 1993

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of July 22, 1974 (P.L.589, No.205), entitled
2 "An act relating to unfair insurance practices; prohibiting
3 unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts
4 and practices; and prescribing remedies and penalties,"
5 further prohibiting unfair practices relating to denial of
6 certain coverage with multiple contracts of health insurance.

7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
8 hereby enacts as follows:

9 Section 1. The act of July 22, 1974 (P.L.589, No.205), known
10 as the Unfair Insurance Practices Act, is amended by adding a
11 section to read:

12 Section 5.1. Continuation of Coverage of Health Care
13 Policies.--It shall be an unfair insurance practice and a
14 violation of this act for the health care insurer of a person or
15 family to exclude from coverage any treatment, care or
16 hospitalization for any injury, illness or condition that
17 occurred during any period of continuous or uninterrupted
18 coverage, even though such uninterrupted coverage consisted of
19 one or more short-term policy or policies of health insurance.

20 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.