

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1150

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1 Amend Title, page 1, line 12, by inserting after "coverage"
2 , for an autism spectrum disorder Insurance Mandate
3 Relief Program

4 Amend Sec. 1, page 11, by inserting between lines 7 and 8

5 Section 635.2-A. Autism Spectrum Disorder Insurance Mandate
6 Relief Program.--(a) There is hereby established within the
7 Insurance Department a program to be known as the Insurance
8 Mandate Relief Program. The Insurance Department, in conjunction
9 with the Department of Revenue, shall administer the program.
10 The program shall provide assistance in the form of payments to
11 employers from the calendar year of implementation and every
12 year thereafter. Payments shall be an amount equal to the
13 difference in employer costs of providing insurance from the
14 preceding fiscal year in order to offset increased employer
15 costs of providing autism spectrum disorders coverage as
16 required by this act.

17 (b) An employer who provides and pays for health coverage
18 for employes of the employer is eligible for program assistance.
19 No employer may claim or receive a payment under this section
20 unless that person is in full compliance with State tax laws.

21 (c) The Insurance Department, in conjunction with the
22 Department of Revenue, shall promulgate regulations and adopt
23 procedures necessary to fulfill the requirements of this
24 section, including, but not limited to, the application process,
25 types of payments or credits to be provided, review process,
26 additional eligibility requirements and appeal process.

27 (d) The following shall apply:

28 (1) A person who wilfully submits false or fraudulent
29 information under this section commits a violation of 18 Pa.C.S.
30 § 4904 (relating to unsworn falsification to authorities) and
31 shall, upon conviction, be subject to punishment as provided by
32 law.

33 (2) A person who wilfully divulges or makes known
34 individual-specific information submitted under this section,
35 permits individual-specific information to be seen or examined
36 by any person or prints, publishes or makes known in any manner
37 individual-specific information commits a misdemeanor of the
38 third degree and shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to pay a
39 fine not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500)
40 and the costs of prosecution or to undergo imprisonment for not
41 more than one year, or both.

1 (e) The Department of Revenue shall demand, receive and
2 collect the payment or credit from any employer who owes
3 delinquent State taxes.