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Committee Bill No. 5627

LCO No. 4617



Referred to Committee on INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE

Introduced by:
(INS)

AN ACT EXTENDING THE PERIOD A CHILD, STEPCHILD OR OTHER DEPENDENT CHILD MAY RETAIN DENTAL INSURANCE COVERAGE UNDER A PARENT'S HEALTH INSURANCE POLICY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 38a-497 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):

3 (a) Each individual health insurance policy providing coverage of
4 the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (6), (10), (11) and (12) of
5 section 38a-469 delivered, issued for delivery, amended, renewed or
6 continued in this state shall provide that coverage of a child, stepchild
7 or other dependent child shall terminate [no] not earlier than the
8 policy anniversary date on or after whichever of the following occurs
9 first, the date on which the child, [:] stepchild or other dependent child:
10 (1) Becomes covered under a group health plan through the
11 [dependent's] child's, stepchild's or other dependent child's own
12 employment; or (2) attains the age of twenty-six.

13 (b) Each individual health insurance policy described in subsection
14 (a) of this section, and each individual health insurance policy

15 providing coverage of the type specified in subdivision (16) of section
16 38a-469 delivered, issued for delivery, amended, renewed or continued
17 in this state, that includes or provides dental coverage shall provide
18 that dental coverage of a child, stepchild or other dependent child shall
19 terminate not earlier than the policy anniversary date on or after
20 whichever of the following occurs first, the date on which the child,
21 stepchild or other dependent child: (1) Becomes covered under a group
22 health plan through the child's, stepchild's or other dependent child's
23 own employment; or (2) attains the age of twenty-six.

24 (c) Each [such] policy subject to this section shall cover a stepchild
25 or other dependent child on the same basis as a biological child.

26 Sec. 2. Section 38a-512b of the general statutes is repealed and the
27 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):

28 (a) Each group health insurance policy providing coverage of the
29 type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (6), (10), (11) and (12) of
30 section 38a-469 delivered, issued for delivery, amended, renewed or
31 continued in this state shall provide that coverage of a child, stepchild
32 or other dependent child shall terminate [no] not earlier than the
33 policy anniversary date on or after whichever of the following occurs
34 first, the date on which the child, [:] stepchild or other dependent child:
35 (1) Becomes covered under a group health plan through the
36 [dependent's] child's, stepchild's or other dependent child's own
37 employment; or (2) attains the age of twenty-six.

38 (b) Each group health insurance policy described in subsection (a) of
39 this section, and each group health insurance policy providing
40 coverage of the type specified in subdivision (16) of section 38a-469
41 delivered, issued for delivery, amended, renewed or continued in this
42 state, that includes or provides dental coverage shall provide that
43 dental coverage of a child, stepchild or other dependent child shall
44 terminate not earlier than the policy anniversary date on or after
45 whichever of the following occurs first, the date on which the child,
46 stepchild or other dependent child: (1) Becomes covered under a group

47 health plan through the child's, stepchild's or other dependent child's
48 own employment; or (2) attains the age of twenty-six.

49 (c) Each [such] policy subject to this section shall cover a stepchild
50 or other dependent child on the same basis as a biological child.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>January 1, 2020</i>	38a-497
Sec. 2	<i>January 1, 2020</i>	38a-512b

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