



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 5859

LCO No. 2843



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Referred to Committee on INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE

Introduced by:

REP. GRESKO, 121st Dist.

REP. ORANGE, 48th Dist.

**AN ACT PROHIBITING CERTAIN HEALTH CARRIERS FROM
REQUIRING THE USE OF STEP THERAPY FOR COVERED
PRESCRIPTION DRUGS THAT ARE PRESCRIBED TO TREAT
CANCER.**

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

1 That sections 38a-510 and 38a-544 of the general statutes be
2 amended to provide that no insurance company, hospital service
3 corporation, medical service corporation, health care center or other
4 entity that delivers, issues for delivery, renews, amends or continues a
5 health insurance policy or contract in this state that includes
6 prescription drug coverage may require, if such company, corporation,
7 center or entity uses step therapy for covered prescription drugs, the
8 use of step therapy for a covered prescription drug that is (1)
9 prescribed to an insured for cancer treatment, and (2) in compliance
10 with approved federal Food and Drug Administration indications.

Statement of Purpose:

To prohibit certain health carriers from requiring the use of step therapy for certain covered prescription drugs that are prescribed to treat cancer.