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SENATE BILL NO. 284

Offered January 18, 2000

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 38.2-3407.9:02, relating to prescription drug formularies; denial of coverage for certain time periods.

Patrons—Couric, Edwards, Houck, Howell, Marsh, Marye, Miller, Y.B., Puckett, Reynolds and Ticer;
Delegate: Van Yahres

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 38.2-3407.9:02 as follows:

§ 38.2-3407.9:02. Requirement for prescription drug coverage.

No (i) insurer proposing to issue individual or group accident and sickness insurance policies providing hospital, medical and surgical or major medical coverage on an expense-incurred basis, (ii) corporation providing individual or group accident and sickness subscription contracts, or (iii) health maintenance organization providing a health care plan for health care services, whose policy, contract or plan, including any certificate or evidence of coverage issued in connection with such policy, contract or plan, includes coverage for prescription drugs shall exclude coverage for any prescription drug solely on the basis of the length of time since the drug obtained FDA approval.

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