

## HB 292 -- INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR OBESITY

SPONSOR: Lewis (25)

Beginning January 1, 2024, health carriers or health benefit plans are required to provide coverage for the treatment of obesity and morbid obesity and the diseases and ailments caused by obesity and morbid obesity including, but not limited to, treatment by bariatric surgery. The services shall not be subject to any greater deductible or co-payment than any other health care service provided by the health benefit plan. This provision does not apply to supplemental insurance policies, as determined by the Director of the Department of Commerce and Insurance.

This bill is similar to HB 2385 (2022) and HB 875 (2021).