

HOUSE BILL NO. 2393

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE MOSLEY.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal section 376.1222, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to insurance coverage of prostheses.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 376.1222, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 376.1222, to read as follows:

376.1222. 1. Any health insurance policy through the Medicaid program pursuant to chapter 208, the children's health insurance program pursuant to sections 208.631 to 208.660, and any health care plans issued to employees under the Missouri consolidated health care plan established pursuant to chapter 103 that are delivered, issued for delivery, continued or renewed in this state on or after January 1, 2004, shall provide coverage for prostheses and expenses for scalp hair prostheses worn for hair loss suffered as a result of *alopecia areata* or *alopecia totalis* for persons eighteen years of age or younger who are covered under a policy, program or plan pursuant to this section. **The benefits required by this subsection shall expire when the covered person reaches eighteen years of age.**

2. **Any health benefit plan delivered, issued for delivery, continued, or renewed in this state on or after January 1, 2025, shall provide coverage for prostheses and expenses for scalp hair prostheses worn for hair loss suffered as a result of chemotherapy.**

3. For purposes of this section, the following terms mean:

(1) **"Health benefit plan", the same meaning as is ascribed to such term in section 376.1350;**

(2) "Prostheses", artificial appliances used to replace lost natural structures;

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets ~~thus~~ in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

18 ~~[(2)]~~ **(3)** "Scalp hair prostheses", artificial substitutes for scalp hair that are made
19 specifically for a particular individual.

20 ~~[3-]~~ **4.** The coverage required by this section shall not be more than a maximum
21 benefit amount of two hundred dollars per calendar year or exceed a lifetime maximum
22 benefit amount of three thousand two hundred dollars for those persons who select a more
23 permanent scalp hair prosthesis. A person may request a one-time expenditure of up to three
24 thousand two hundred dollars. The benefits required by this section shall expire when total
25 benefits paid reach three thousand two hundred dollars ~~[or when such person listed in~~
26 ~~subsection 1 of this section reaches eighteen years of age].~~

27 ~~[4-]~~ **5.** The health care service required by this section shall not be subject to any
28 greater deductible or co-payment than other similar health care services provided by the
29 policy, program, or plan.

30 ~~[5-]~~ **6.** Nothing in this section shall prohibit a health insurer or health benefit plan
31 from providing coverage that is greater than or more favorable to persons than the coverage
32 provided by this section.

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