

HCS HB 2371 -- INSURANCE COVERAGE OF HOME BLOOD PRESSURE
MONITORING

SPONSOR: Peters

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Standing
Committee on Health and Mental Health by a vote of 16 to 0.

The following is a summary of the House Committee Substitute for
HB 2371.

This bill requires MO HealthNet coverage of home blood pressure
monitoring devices and home blood pressure monitoring device
services, as those terms are defined in the bill, for pregnant
and postpartum women.

This bill requires, beginning January 1, 2027, all health benefit
plans that provide maternity benefits to provide coverage for a
home blood pressure monitoring device and home blood pressure
monitoring device services for pregnant and postpartum women.

This bill is similar to HB 842 (2025).

The following is a summary of the public testimony from the
committee hearing. The testimony was based on the introduced
version of the bill.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that many people do not have reliable
access to these tools, which can save the lives of both the
mother and the child, reduce ER visits, and support early
interventions before they become emergencies.

Testifying in person for the bill were Representative Peters;
American Heart Association; Nurture KC; Elizabeth Grace Riley,
The Missouri Chapter of the American College of Obstetricians and
Gynecologists; Kids Win Missouri; Rylea Luckfield, Beacon
Reproductive Health Network; Arnie Dienoff; REACH Healthcare
Foundation; and BJC Healthcare System.

OPPONENTS: Those who oppose the bill say that their concern lies
with the provisions of the bill relating to reporting and data
collection and the imposition of a new insurance mandate, which
can raise costs for others on the health benefit plans.

Testifying in person against the bill was Missouri Insurance
Coalition.

Written testimony has been submitted for this bill. The full written testimony and witnesses testifying online can be found under Testimony on the bill page on the House website.