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1994 Assembly No. 2231

1 AN ACT requiring health insurance benefits for P.p smears and
2 supplementing Title 17 of the Revised Statutes and Title 17B of
3 the New Jersey Statutes.

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5 BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the
6 State of New Jersey:

7 1. No health service corporation contract providing hospital or
8 medical expense benefits for groups with greater than 49 persons
9 shall be delivered, issued, executed or renewed in this State, or
10 approved for issuance or renewal in this State by the
11 Commissioner of Insurance on or after the effective date of this
12 act, unless the contract provides benefits to any named
13 subscriber or other person covered thereunder for expenses
14 incurred in conducting a Pap smear. The benefits shall be
15 provided to the same extent as for any other medical condition
16 under the contract.

17 This section shall apply to all health service corporation
18 contracts in which the health service corporation has reserved
19 the right to change the premium.

20 2. No hospital service corporation contract providing hospital
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1 4. No group health insurance policy providing hospital or
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10 This section shall apply to all group health insurance policies in
11 which the health insurer has reserved the right to change the
12 premium.

13 5. A certificate of authority to establish and operate a health
14 maintenance organization in this State shall not be issued or
15 continued by the Commissioner of Health on or after the
16 effective date of this act unless the health maintenance
17 organization offers health care services to any enrollee which
18 include a Pap smear. The health care services shall be provided
19 to the same extent as for any other medical condition under the
20 contract.

21 The provisions of this section shall apply to all contracts for
22 health care services by health maintenance organizations under
23 which the right to change the schedule of charges for enrollee
24 coverage is reserved.

25 6. This act shall take effect on the 30th day after enactment.

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30 This bill requires all health insurers which cover groups with 50
31 or more persons and health maintenance organizations to provide
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33 This bill is designed to encourage women to seek routine,
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ASSEMBLY INSURANCE COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 2231

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 14, 1995

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