

AMENDMENT #1

OFFERED IN THE HOUSE
TO: CSHB 25(HSS)

BY REPRESENTATIVE WILSON

- 1 Page 1, line 8, following "market":
- 2 Insert "that provides coverage for prescription contraceptives"

AMENDMENT #2

OFFERED IN THE HOUSE
TO: CSHB 25(HSS)

BY REPRESENTATIVE WILSON

1 Page 1, lines 1 - 2:

2 Delete "relating to medical assistance coverage for contraceptives and related
3 services;"

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5 Page 1, line 8:

6 Delete "shall"

7 Insert "may"

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9 Page 2, line 7, through page 3, line 10:

10 Delete all material.

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12 Reletter the following subsection accordingly.

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14 Page 3, line 14, through page 7, line 14:

15 Delete all material.

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17 Renumber the following bill section accordingly.

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19 Page 7, line 15:

20 Delete "Except as provided in sec. 7 of this Act, this"

21 Insert "This"

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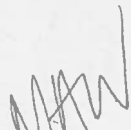
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MEMORANDUM

April 18, 2017

SUBJECT: Insurance coverage for contraceptives
(CSHB 25(HSS); Work Order No. 30-LS0261\O.2)

TO: Representative Tammie Wilson
Attn: Barbara Barnes

FROM: Megan A. Wallace
Legislative Counsel 

Attached please find the amendment you requested. Please be advised that by changing "shall" to "may" in sec. 1 of the bill, insurers would no longer be obligated to provide the listed contraceptive coverage. I am not sure the bill is necessary after removal of the requirement, because insurers may currently provide this coverage under existing law. Nevertheless, because the mandate is being removed by the amendment, subsections (b) - (g) in sec. 1 are no longer necessary since those subsections were dependent upon or related to the coverage mandate.

I also removed the provisions related to state employee coverage and medical assistance coverage from the bill. Because the bill would no longer mandate insurance companies to provide the coverage, it appeared inconsistent to require the state to provide the coverage for contraceptives that is not required in the private market.¹ If this is contrary to your intent, please advise.

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Attachment

¹ Especially since with regard to medical assistance coverage, federal law provides the extent to which federal funding is available for prescription drugs.