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SCS CS HB 17 (HHS): CONTRACEPTIVES COVERAGE: INSURE; MED. ASSIST CORRECTED EXPLANATION OF CHANGES - Version B.A to Version U

The Senate Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for House Bill 17, version U, makes the following changes:

- On page 3, lines 19 - 26, under newly added Section 2, version B.A. added language to clarify religious exemptions. On page 3, lines 14-21, the CS includes this language under Section 1 and removes the reference to "a person's health care" and focuses the legislation on health care insurance coverage regarding contraceptive methods. This change was requested by the bill's sponsor.
- On page 7, line 21, the CS changes the conditional effective date from January 1, 2025, to January 1, 2026. This technical fix was requested by the Department of Health.