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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2022

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RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES

Introduced By: Representatives Noret, Casimiro, Solomon, and Kazarian

Date Introduced: February 02, 2022

Referred To: House Health & Human Services

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 27-18 of the General Laws entitled "Accident and Sickness Insurance
2 Policies" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 **27-18-89. Mandatory coverage for COVID-19 testing.**

4 [Subscribers to any accident and sickness insurance policies plan shall be afforded coverage](#)
5 [for all COVID-19 testing, inclusive of rapid antigen and/or PCR testing, whether or not the test was](#)
6 [ordered by a prescribing physician.](#)

7 SECTION 2. Chapter 27-19 of the General Laws entitled "Nonprofit Hospital Service
8 Corporations" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

9 **27-19-81. Mandatory coverage for COVID-19 testing.**

10 [Subscribers to any nonprofit hospital service corporation plan shall be afforded coverage](#)
11 [for all COVID-19 testing, inclusive of rapid antigen and/or PCR testing, whether or not the test was](#)
12 [ordered by a prescribing physician.](#)

13 SECTION 3. Chapter 27-20 of the General Laws entitled "Nonprofit Medical Service
14 Corporations" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

15 **27-20-77. Mandatory coverage for COVID-19 testing.**

16 [Subscribers to any nonprofit medical service corporation plan shall be afforded coverage](#)
17 [for all COVID-19 testing, inclusive of rapid antigen and/or PCR testing, whether or not the test was](#)
18 [ordered by a prescribing physician.](#)

19 SECTION 4. Chapter 27-41 of the General Laws entitled "Health Maintenance

1 Organizations" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

2 **27-41-94. Mandatory coverage for COVID-19 testing.**

3 Subscribers to any health maintenance organization plan shall be afforded coverage for all
4 COVID-19 testing, inclusive of rapid antigen and/or PCR testing, whether or not the test was
5 ordered by a prescribing physician.

6 SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
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- 1 This act would require that all COVID-19 testing, inclusive of rapid antigen testing and/or
- 2 PCR testing, are covered by insurance whether or not such testing is ordered by a doctor.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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