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HOUSE BILL NO. 1252

99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE PLOCHER.

4115H.01I D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal section 376.782, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to low-dose mammography screening.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 376.782, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 376.782, to read as follows:

376.782. 1. As used in this section, the term "low-dose mammography screening" means the X-ray examination of the breast using equipment specifically designed and dedicated for mammography, including the X-ray tube, filter, compression device, films, and cassettes, with an average radiation exposure delivery of less than one rad mid-breast, with two views for each breast, and any fee charged by a radiologist or other physician for reading, interpreting or diagnosing based on such X-ray. **As used in this section, the term “low-dose mammography screening” shall also include digital mammography and breast tomosynthesis. As used in this section, the term “breast tomosynthesis” shall mean a radiologic procedure that involves the acquisition of projection images over the stationary breast to produce cross-sectional digital three-dimensional images of the breast.**

2. All individual and group health insurance policies providing coverage on an expense-incurred basis, individual and group service or indemnity type contracts issued by a nonprofit corporation, individual and group service contracts issued by a health maintenance organization, all self-insured group arrangements to the extent not preempted by federal law and all managed health care delivery entities of any type or description, that are delivered, issued for delivery, continued or renewed on or after August 28, 1991, and providing coverage to any resident of this state shall provide benefits or coverage for low-dose mammography screening.

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in bold-face type in the above bill is proposed language.
for any nonsymptomatic woman covered under such policy or contract which meets the minimum requirements of this section. Such benefits or coverage shall include at least the following:

1. A baseline mammogram for women age thirty-five to thirty-nine, inclusive;
2. A mammogram for women age forty to forty-nine, inclusive, every two years or more frequently based on the recommendation of the patient's physician;
3. A mammogram every year for women age fifty and over;
4. A mammogram for any woman, upon the recommendation of a physician, where such woman, her mother or her sister has a prior history of breast cancer.

3. Coverage and benefits related to mammography as required by this section shall be at least as favorable and subject to the same dollar limits, deductibles, and co-payments as other radiological examinations; provided, however, that on and after January 1, 2019, providers of low-dose mammography screening shall be reimbursed at rates accurately reflecting the resource costs specific to each modality, including any increased resource cost of breast tomosynthesis.