

HJR 51 -- HEALTH INSURANCE PROTECTIONS

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This proposed Constitutional amendment, if approved by the voters, provides that no health benefit plan providing coverage to a resident of this state shall limit or exclude benefits relating to any condition based on the fact that the condition is a preexisting condition or charge a different premium rate or impose different out-of-pocket costs for the same coverage based on the fact that a person covered under the plan has a preexisting condition. Health benefit plans providing coverage for dependent children shall continue to make the coverage available until the child turns 26. This amendment does not apply to plans precluded by federal law, or to excepted benefit plans, as defined in the amendment.

This bill is similar to SJR 26 (2021).