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S. B. No. 313

Senator Chavez

To enact sections 1751.64, 3923.66, 3923.67, and
5164.11 of the Revised Code regarding insurance
and Medicaid coverage of scalp cooling systems
for individuals receiving cancer chemotherapy
treatments.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That sections 1751.64, 3923.66, 3923.67, and
5164.11 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows:

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Sec. 1751.64. (A) As used in this section, "scalp cooling
system" means any device used to cool the human scalp to prevent
or reduce hair loss during cancer chemotherapy treatment,
provided that such device is designed and intended for repeated
use and is primarily and customarily used to serve a medical
purpose.

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(B) Notwithstanding section 3901.71 of the Revised Code,
every individual or group health insuring corporation policy,
contract, or agreement providing basic health care services that
is delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed in this state, if
the policy, contract, or agreement provides coverage for cancer
chemotherapy treatment, shall provide benefits for the expense
of a scalp cooling system.

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Sec. 3923.66. (A) As used in this section and section 21
3923.67 of the Revised Code, "scalp cooling system" means any 22
device used to cool the human scalp to prevent or reduce hair 23
loss during cancer chemotherapy treatment, provided that such 24
device is designed and intended for repeated use and is 25
primarily and customarily used to serve a medical purpose. 26

(B) Notwithstanding section 3901.71 of the Revised Code, 27
every policy of individual or group sickness and accident 28
insurance that is delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed in 29
this state, if the policy provides coverage for cancer 30
chemotherapy treatment, shall provide benefits for the expense 31
of a scalp cooling system. 32

Sec. 3923.67. Notwithstanding section 3901.71 of the 33
Revised Code, every public employee benefit plan that is 34
established or modified in this state, if the plan provides 35
coverage for cancer chemotherapy treatment, shall provide 36
benefits for the expense of a scalp cooling system. 37

Sec. 5164.11. The medicaid program shall cover scalp 38
cooling systems for medicaid recipients who undergo cancer 39
chemotherapy treatment. The medicaid director may adopt rules 40
authorized under section 5164.02 of the Revised Code as 41
necessary to implement this section. 42

As used in this section, "scalp cooling system" has the 43
same meaning as in section 1751.64 of the Revised Code. 44