
OLR Bill Analysis

SB 363

***AN ACT CONCERNING HEALTH INSURANCE REIMBURSEMENT
PARITY FOR PODIATRISTS.***

SUMMARY

This bill prohibits health carriers (e.g., insurers and HMOs) from paying a reduced reimbursement to a licensed health care provider who provides a covered benefit within his or her scope of practice solely because he or she is a podiatrist. By law, a podiatrist diagnoses and treats foot and ankle ailments (CGS § 20-50).

The bill applies to each insurer, HMO, hospital or medical service corporation, fraternal benefit society, and other entity that delivers, issues, renews, amends, or continues a fully-insured individual or group health insurance policy on or after January 1, 2023, that covers (1) basic hospital expenses; (2) basic medical-surgical expenses; (3) major medical expenses; or (4) hospital or medical services, including those provided under an HMO plan.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2023

COMMITTEE ACTION

Insurance and Real Estate Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 14 Nay 3 (03/22/2022)