

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 43rd Legislature (1991)

SENATE BILL NO. 444

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AS INTRODUCED

AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE AND STATE GOVERNMENT;  
AMENDING SECTION 9, CHAPTER 118, O.S.L. 1988, AS  
AMENDED BY SECTION 1, CHAPTER 287, O.S.L. 1989 (36  
O.S. SUPP. 1990, SECTION 6060), WHICH RELATES TO  
MAMMOGRAPHY SCREENING AND 74 O.S. 1981, SECTION  
1321, AS LAST AMENDED BY SECTION 23, CHAPTER 165,  
O.S.L. 1988 (74 O.S. SUPP. 1990, SECTION 1321),  
WHICH RELATES TO DETERMINATION OF RATES AND  
BENEFITS OF STATE LIFE, HEALTH AND DENTAL INSURANCE  
PLANS; REQUIRING STATE AND EDUCATION EMPLOYEES  
GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN PROVIDE COVERAGE FOR  
MAMMOGRAPHY SCREENING; MAKING BENEFIT NOT SUBJECT  
TO ANY DEDUCTIBLE OR COPAYMENT; PROVIDING AN  
EFFECTIVE DATE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 9, Chapter 118, O.S.L.  
1988, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 287, O.S.L. 1989 (36 O.S.  
Supp. 1990, Section 6060), is amended to read as follows:

Section 6060. A. All individual and group health insurance policies providing coverage on an expense incurred basis, and all individual and group service or indemnity type contracts issued by a nonprofit corporation and all self-insurers, including the State and Education Employees Group Health Insurance Plan, which provide coverage for a female thirty-five (35) years old or older in this state, except for policies that provide coverage for specified disease or other limited benefit coverage, shall include the coverage specified by this section for a routine low-dose mammography screening in a reimbursement amount not to exceed Seventy-five Dollars (\$75.00) for the presence of occult breast cancer, within the provisions of the policy.

B. 1. Any female thirty-five (35) through thirty-nine (39) years of age shall be entitled pursuant to the provisions of this section to coverage for a low-dose mammography screening.

2. Any female forty (40) years of age or older shall be entitled pursuant to the provisions of this section to coverage for an annual low-dose mammography.

C. For the purposes of this section, the term low-dose mammography means the x-ray examination of the breast using equipment dedicated specifically for mammography, including but not limited to the x-ray tube, filter, compression device, screens, films, and cassettes, with an average radiation exposure delivery of less than one rad mid-breast, with two views for each breast.

D. Any entity advertising mammography services must include in its advertising the total cost of the procedure.

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 1981, Section 1321, as last amended by Section 23, Chapter 165, O.S.L. 1988 (74 O.S. Supp. 1990, Section 1321), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1321. A. The Board shall have the authority to determine all rates and life, dental and health benefits. All rates shall be compiled in a comprehensive Schedule of Benefits. The

Schedule of Benefits shall be available for inspection during regular business hours at the office of the State and Education Employees Group Insurance Board. ~~The~~ Except as provided in subsection C of this section, the Board ~~further~~ shall have the authority to adjust the rates and benefits as warranted, based on claim experience. The only publication or notice requirements that shall apply to the Schedule of Benefits, or subsequent adjustments, shall be those requirements provided in the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act; provided, however, that any rate or benefit change shall not become effective for at least thirty (30) days after any Board action.

B. It is the intent of the Legislature that the benefits provided not include cosmetic dental procedures except for certain orthodontic procedures as adopted by the Board.

C. The benefits shall provide for mammography screening pursuant to the provisions of Section 6060 of Title 36 of the Oklahoma Statutes; provided, such benefit shall not be subject to any deductible or copayment.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 1991.

SECTION 4. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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