

ORIGINAL HOUSE
BILL NO. HB0211

ENROLLED ACT NO. 89, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SIXTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING
2019 GENERAL SESSION

AN ACT relating to insurance; mandating health insurance coverage parity for mental health and substance use disorders as specified; specifying applicability; authorizing rulemaking; and providing for an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

Section 1. W.S. 26-20-701 is created to read:

ARTICLE 7

MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER INSURANCE PARITY

26-20-701. Required parity for mental health and substance use disorder insurance.

All individual or group health insurance policies providing coverage on an expense incurred basis, individual and group service or indemnity type health insurance contracts issued by any insurer, including any nonprofit corporation and individual and group service contracts issued by a health maintenance organization, shall meet the requirements of, and the commissioner may enforce subject to the provisions of this section, the Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act of 2008, 42 U.S.C. § 300gg-26, as amended, and the regulations promulgated pursuant thereto as of January 1, 2018. Persons exempt from complying with the Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act shall not be exempted from complying with the requirements of this section if this section otherwise applies to the person. The commissioner may promulgate reasonable rules which establish exemptions from the application of this section.

Section 2. This act shall apply to all health insurance policies, plans and contracts delivered, issued, renewed, modified, amended or extended on or after July 1, 2019.

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Section 3. This act is effective July 1, 2019.

(END)

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Governor

TIME APPROVED: _____

DATE APPROVED: _____

I hereby certify that this act originated in the House.

Chief Clerk