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INTRODUCTION**

HOUSE BILL NO.

Organ transplant recipient protection.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Zwonitzer, Dn

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to insurance; prohibiting discrimination
2 against organ transplant recipients by insurers as
3 specified; providing definitions; specifying applicability;
4 and providing for an effective date.

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

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8 **Section 1.** W.S. 26-20-801(a) by creating a new
9 paragraph (iv) and W.S. 26-20-803(a)(i) through (iii) and
10 by creating new paragraphs (v) and (vi) are amended to
11 read:

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13 **26-20-801. Definitions.**

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2 (a) As used in this article:

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4 (iv) "Organ transplant recipient" means a person
5 who receives an organ transplant as defined by W.S. 35-5-
6 301(a)(v).

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8 **26-20-803. Living organ donor and organ transplant**
9 **recipient coverage.**

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11 (a) No individual or group life insurance policy or
12 long-term care insurance policy shall:

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14 (i) Deny or cancel coverage to a covered person
15 solely on the basis of the person's status as a living
16 organ donor or as an organ transplant recipient;

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18 (ii) Deny a covered person eligibility or
19 continued eligibility to enroll or to renew coverage under
20 the terms of a policy, contract or certificate, solely on
21 the basis of the person's status as a living organ donor or
22 as an organ transplant recipient;

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1 (iii) Reduce or limit coverage or benefits,
2 increase the premiums or otherwise adversely affect the
3 coverage or cost for a covered person's policy, contract or
4 certificate solely on the basis of the person's status as a
5 living organ donor or as an organ transplant recipient
6 without any additional separate actuarial risk involved;

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8 (v) Preclude a covered person from receiving all
9 or part of an organ or tissue through transplantation or
10 transfusion as a condition of receiving or continuing to
11 receive coverage under a policy, contract or certificate;

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13 (vi) Preclude a covered person from receiving
14 medical services or other services related to organ
15 transplantation, including diagnostic services, evaluation,
16 surgery, counseling or post-operative treatment or
17 services.

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19 **Section 2.** This act shall apply to any individual or
20 group life insurance or long-term contract or policy
21 offered, issued, renewed, delivered or issued for delivery
22 in Wyoming on and after July 1, 2024.

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1 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2024.

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