

1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 1417

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 1417, AS AMENDED,
3 by replacing everything after the enacting clause with the
4 following:

5 "Section 5. The Illinois Insurance Code is amended by
6 changing Section 356x as follows:

7 (215 ILCS 5/356x)

8 Sec. 356x. Coverage for colorectal cancer examination
9 and screening.

10 (a) An individual or group policy of accident and health
11 insurance or a managed care plan that is amended, delivered,
12 issued, or renewed on or after the effective date of this
13 amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly that provides
14 coverage to a resident of this State must provide benefits or
15 coverage for all colorectal cancer examinations and
16 laboratory tests for colorectal cancer as prescribed by a
17 physician, in accordance with the published American Cancer
18 Society guidelines on colorectal cancer screening or other
19 existing colorectal cancer screening guidelines issued by
20 nationally recognized professional medical societies or
21 federal government agencies, including the National Cancer
22 Institute, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention,

1 and the American College of Gastroenterology.

2 (b) Coverage required under this Section may not impose
3 any deductible, coinsurance, waiting period, or other
4 cost-sharing limitation that is greater than that required
5 for other coverage under the policy. An insurer shall provide
6 in each group policy, contract, or certificate of accident
7 and health insurance amended, delivered, issued, or renewed
8 covering persons who are residents of this State coverage for
9 colorectal cancer screening with sigmoidoscopy or fecal
10 occult blood testing once every 3 years for persons who are
11 at least 50 years old.

12 (b) For persons who may be classified as high risk for
13 colorectal cancer because the person or a first-degree family
14 member of the person has a history of colorectal cancer, the
15 coverage required under subsection (a) shall apply to persons
16 who have attained at least 30 years of age.

17 (c) This Section does not apply to agreements,
18 contracts, or policies that provide coverage for a specified
19 disease or other limited-benefit coverage.

20 (Source: P.A. 90-741, eff. 1-1-99.)

21 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect on
22 January 1, 2004."