

95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2007 and 2008 HB4409

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

215 ILCS 5/356h

from Ch. 73, par. 968h

Amends the Illinois Insurance Code. In addition to prohibiting a policy of accident and health insurance from excluding or limiting a child's coverage solely because the child is adopted or the child does not reside with the insured, prohibits excluding or limiting a child's coverage solely because the child is unmarried and 25 years of age or younger or because the child is unmarried, 30 years of age or younger, and a full-time student at an institution of higher education.

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1 AN ACT concerning insurance.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Illinois Insurance Code is amended by changing Section 356h as follows:
- 6 (215 ILCS 5/356h) (from Ch. 73, par. 968h)
 - Sec. 356h. No individual or group policy of accident and health insurance which covers the insured's immediate family or children, as well as covering the insured, shall exclude a child from coverage or limit coverage for a child solely because:
- 12 (1) the child is an adopted child; or solely because
- 13 (2) the child does not reside with the insured; or.
- 14 (3) the child is unmarried and 25 years of age or
 15 younger or the child is unmarried, is 30 years of age or
 16 younger, and is a full-time student at an institution of
 17 higher education.

For purposes of this Section, a child who is in the custody of the insured, pursuant to an interim court order of adoption or, in the case of group insurance, placement of adoption, whichever comes first, vesting temporary care of the child in the insured, is an adopted child, regardless of whether a final order granting adoption is ultimately issued.

1 (Source: P.A. 91-549, eff. 8-14-99.)