95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB5670

by Rep. JoAnn D. Osmond

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

215 ILCS 5/370a

from Ch. 73, par. 982a

Amends the Illinois Insurance Code. Provides that subject to the terms of a policy of accident or health insurance or any contract relating thereto that may expressly prohibit either pre-loss or post-loss assignments or both, an assignment by an insured or by any other owner of rights under the policy is valid for the purpose of vesting in the assignee, in accordance with any provisions included therein as to the time at which it is effective, all rights and privileges so assigned. Effective immediately.

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AN ACT concerning regulation.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Illinois Insurance Code is amended by 5 changing Section 370a as follows:

6 (215 ILCS 5/370a) (from Ch. 73, par. 982a)

7 Sec. 370a. Assignability of Accident and Health Insurance. No provision of the Illinois Insurance Code, or any other 8 9 law, prohibits an insured under any policy of accident and health insurance or any other person who may be the owner of 10 any rights under such policy from making an assignment of all 11 or any part of his rights and privileges under the policy 12 including but not limited to the right to designate a 13 14 beneficiary and to have an individual policy issued in accordance with its terms. Subject to the terms of the policy 15 16 or any contract relating thereto that may expressly prohibit 17 either pre-loss or post-loss assignments or both, an assignment by an insured or by any other owner of rights under the policy, 18 19 made before or after the effective date of this amendatory Act 20 of 1969 is valid for the purpose of vesting in the assignee, in 21 accordance with any provisions included therein as to the time 22 at which it is effective, all rights and privileges so assigned. However, such assignment is without prejudice to the 23

company on account of any payment it makes or individual policy 1 2 it issues before receipt of notice of the assignment. This amendatory Act of 1969 acknowledges, declares and codifies the 3 existing right of assignment of interests under accident and 4 5 health insurance policies. If an enrollee or insured of an 6 insurer, health maintenance organization, managed care plan, 7 health care plan, preferred provider organization, or third party administrator assigns a claim to a health care 8 9 professional or health care facility, then payment shall be 10 made directly to the health care professional or health care 11 facility including any interest required under Section 368a, of 12 this Code for failure to pay claims within 30 days after 13 receipt by the insurer of due proof of loss. Nothing in this Section shall be construed to prevent any parties from 14 15 reconciling duplicate payments.

16 (Source: P.A. 91-605, eff. 12-14-99; 91-788, eff. 6-9-00.)

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect uponbecoming law.