SENATE BILL NO. 169-SENATOR RAWSON

FEBRUARY 15, 2001

Referred to Committee on Legislative Affairs and Operations

SUMMARY—Requires preparation and distribution of report on effect of legislation that requires policy of health insurance to provide coverage for treatment or service. (BDR 17-128)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

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Effect on the State: Yes.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to legislative measures; requiring the preparation of a report on the effect of legislation that requires a policy of health insurance to provide coverage for any treatment or service; providing for the distribution of the report to the members of the legislature and to the governor; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Chapter 218 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

- 1. The fiscal analysis division of the legislative counsel bureau shall prepare a written report on the effect of any bill that requires a policy of health insurance delivered or issued for delivery in this state to provide coverage for any treatment or service. The report must contain:
- (a) An analysis of the level of public demand for the treatment or service for which coverage is required and the extent to which such coverage is needed in this state;
- (b) A description of the extent to which coverage for the treatment or service is currently available;
- (c) An analysis of the extent to which the required coverage may increase or decrease the cost of the treatment or service;
- (d) The effect the required coverage will have on the cost of obtaining policies of health insurance in this state;
- (e) The effect the required coverage will have on the cost of health care provided in this state, as determined by an independent actuary;
- (f) If the provision is applicable to coverage provided by the state to its employees, the effect the required coverage will have on the cost of



health insurance provided by the state to its employees, as determined by the board of the public employees' benefits program; and

- (g) Such other considerations as are necessary to determine the fiscal and social impact of requiring coverage for the treatment or service.
- 2. The fiscal analysis division shall prepare such a report for the original bill and for each amended version of the bill.
- 3. The original copy of a report prepared for a bill pursuant to this section must be retained by the fiscal analysis division to be used as printer's copy. The fiscal analysis division shall forward the original copy to the superintendent of the state printing division of the department of administration for the purposes of printing. Each report must be printed separate from the bill.
- 4. The fiscal analysis division shall deliver copies of the most recent report prepared for a bill pursuant to this section to:
 - (a) The requester of the bill;

- (b) The chairman of each committee of the assembly and the senate to which such a bill is referred, for distribution to the members of that committee at least 3 days before the bill is considered by the committee; and
- (c) The chief clerk of the assembly and the secretary of the senate, for distribution to the members of their respective houses at least 1 day before the bill is considered by that house.
 - **Sec. 2.** NRS 218.380 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 218.380 1. An enrolled bill must be delivered by the legislative counsel, or such person as he designates in writing, to the governor for his action, who may authorize a member of his staff to receive and receipt for the [same] bill in his name.
- 2. An enrolled bill that is delivered to the governor and requires a policy of health insurance delivered or issued for delivery in this state to provide coverage for any treatment or service must be accompanied by the written report prepared by the fiscal analysis division for the final version of the bill pursuant to section 1 of this act.



