

1-1 By: Zaffirini S.B. No. 64  
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1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to insurance coverage for certain devices that facilitate  
1-9 insulin therapy and enhance glucose control in the treatment of  
1-10 diabetes.

1-11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-12 SECTION 1. Subdivisions (1) and (2), Section 1358.051,  
1-13 Insurance Code, are amended to read as follows:

1-14 (1) "Diabetes equipment" means:

1-15 (A) blood glucose monitors, including  
1-16 noninvasive glucose monitors and glucose monitors designed to be  
1-17 used by blind individuals;

1-18 (B) insulin pumps and associated appurtenances;

1-19 (C) insulin infusion devices and devices that  
1-20 facilitate insulin therapy and enhance glucose control; and

1-21 (D) podiatric appliances for the prevention of  
1-22 complications associated with diabetes.

1-23 (2) "Diabetes supplies" means:

1-24 (A) test strips for blood glucose monitors;

1-25 (B) visual reading and urine test strips;

1-26 (C) lancets and lancet devices;

1-27 (D) insulin and insulin analogs;

1-28 (E) injection aids and devices that facilitate  
1-29 insulin therapy and enhance glucose control;

1-30 (F) syringes;

1-31 (G) prescriptive and nonprescriptive oral agents  
1-32 for controlling blood sugar levels; and

1-33 (H) glucagon emergency kits.

1-34 SECTION 2. This Act applies only to an insurance policy that  
1-35 is delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed on or after January 1,  
1-36 2010. A policy delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed before  
1-37 January 1, 2010, is governed by the law as it existed immediately  
1-38 before the effective date of this Act, and that law is continued in  
1-39 effect for that purpose.

1-40 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

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