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HOUSE BILL No. 660

(By Mr. Speaker Mr. White)

PASSED March 11, 1967

In Effect from Passage

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ROBERT D. BAILEY
SECRETARY OF STATE
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AN ACT to amend and reenact section thirty, article six, chapter thirty-three of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the construction of insurance policies.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section thirty, article six, chapter thirty-three of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 6. THE INSURANCE POLICY.

§33-6-30. Construction of policies.

1 Every insurance contract shall be construed according to the entirety of its terms and conditions as set forth in the policy and as amplified, extended, or modi-
4 fled by any rider, endorsement, or application attached
5 to and made a part of the policy: Provided, That the
6 word "physician" when used in any accident and sickness policy or other contract providing for the payment
7 of surgical procedures shall be construed to include a
8 physician, dentist, or chiropodist-podiatrist performing
9 such surgical procedure within the scope of his professional license: Provided, further, That any policy of insurance or medical or health service contract providing
10 for payment or reimbursement for any professional services pertaining to eye examination, refractions or the
11 fitting of corrective lenses shall be construed to include
12 payment or reimbursement for such professional service
13 rendered by either a duly licensed physician or a duly
14 licensed optometrist, within the scope of their respective
15 professional licenses, and that the insured or subscriber
16 shall have freedom of choice to select either a physician
17 or an optometrist to render or perform such professional
18 service.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

William Tampas
Chairman Senate Committee

Clayton Davidson
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House.

Takes effect from passage.

J. Lomax Thomas
Clerk of the Senate

C.A. Blankenship
Clerk of the House of Delegates

Howard W. Carson
President of the Senate

W. Clarence White
Speaker House of Delegates

The within ______________________ approved this the ________ day of ________, 1967.

Hulet C. Smith
Governor
PRESENTED TO THE
GOVERNOR

Date  3/17/62

Time  2:02 P.M.