

WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

REGULAR SESSION, 1967



ENROLLED

HOUSE BILL No. 660

(By ~~MR~~ Speakers, Mr. White)



PASSED March 11, 1967

In Effect from Passage



FILED IN THE OFFICE
ROBERT D. BAILEY
SECRETARY OF STATE
THIS DATE 3-20-67

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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 accord-
2 ing to the entirety of its terms and conditions as set
3 forth in the policy and as amplified, extended, or modi-

4 fied 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 sick-
7 ness policy or other contract providing for the payment
8 of surgical procedures shall be construed to include a
9 physician, dentist, or chiropodist-podiatrist performing
10 such surgical procedure within the scope of his profes-
11 sional license: *Provided, further*, That any policy of in-
12 surance or medical or health service contract providing
13 for payment or reimbursement for any professional serv-
14 ices pertaining to eye examination, refractions or the
15 fitting of corrective lenses shall be construed to include
16 payment or reimbursement for such professional service
17 rendered by either a duly licensed physician or a duly
18 licensed optometrist, within the scope of their respective
19 professional licenses, and that the insured or subscriber
20 shall have freedom of choice to select either a physician
21 or an optometrist to render or perform such professional
22 service.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

William Tompos
Chairman Senate Committee

Clayton L. Davidson
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House.

Takes effect from passage.

Howard Meyer
Clerk of the Senate

C. Blankenship
Clerk of the House of Delegates

Howard Carson
President of the Senate

H. Labaree White
Speaker House of Delegates

The within approved this the 17
day of March, 1967.

Hulene C. Smith
Governor



PRESENTED TO THE
GOVERNOR

Date 3/17/67

Time 3:07 P.M.