

# ASSEMBLY, No. 5216

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**SYNOPSIS**

Prohibits health insurance carriers from placing time limit on coverage of anesthesia services before, during, or after medical or surgical procedures.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



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1 AN ACT concerning health insurance coverage for anesthesia and  
2 supplementing P.L.1997, c.192 (26:2S-1 et seq.).

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*  
5 *of New Jersey:*

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7 1. a. A carrier shall not limit coverage based on the amount of  
8 time in which anesthesia services are used before, during, or after a  
9 medical or surgical procedure.

10 b. As used in this section:

11 “Anesthesia services” means the same as the prevailing medical  
12 coding standards found within the American Medical Association’s  
13 Current Procedural Terminology code for anesthesia, including  
14 anesthesia modifier codes.

15 “Carrier” means an insurance company, health service  
16 corporation, hospital service corporation, medical service  
17 corporation, or health maintenance organization authorized to issue  
18 health benefits plans in this State.

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20 2. This act shall take effect on the 90th day next following  
21 enactment and shall apply to policies and contracts delivered, issued,  
22 executed, or renewed on or after that date.

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25 STATEMENT

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27 This bill prohibits health insurance carriers from placing a time  
28 limit on the coverage of anesthesia services before, during, or after a  
29 medical or surgical procedure.

30 Under the bill, a carrier (including an insurance company, health  
31 service corporation, hospital service corporation, medical service  
32 corporation, or health maintenance organization authorized to issue  
33 health benefits plans in the State) will be prohibited from limiting  
34 coverage based on the amount of time in which anesthesia services  
35 are used before, during, or after a medical or surgical procedure.

36 For the purpose of this bill, “anesthesia services” means the same  
37 as the prevailing medical coding standards found within the  
38 American Medical Association’s Current Procedural Terminology  
39 code for anesthesia, including anesthesia modifier codes.