

March 4, 1999

H 314. INSURANCE COVG./BONE MASS MSMT. TO REQUIRE HEALTH AND ACCIDENT INSURANCE POLICIES, HOSPITAL OR MEDICAL SERVICE PLANS, AND HMO PLANS TO PROVIDE COVERAGE FOR BONE MASS MEASUREMENT FOR THE DIAGNOSIS AND EVALUATION OF OSTEOPOROSIS. As title indicates. Effective when it becomes law and applies to health benefit plans that are delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed on or after Jan. 1, 2000.

Intro. by Boyd-McIntyre.

Ref. to Insurance

GS 58

April 27, 1999

H 314. INSURANCE COVG./BONE MASS MSMT. Intro. 3/4/99. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Changes proposed GS 58-3-174(b) to provide that one of the conditions that may make frequent bone mass measurement coverage necessary is allowing for a central bone mass measurement to determine the effectiveness of adding an additional treatment regimen for a qualified individual who is proven to have a low bone mass so long as the bone mass measurement is performed 12 to 18 months from the start date of the additional regimen. Adds as a form of coverage under the definition of health benefit plan short-term limited duration coverage.