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**S 712. INSURERS/COVER RX IN EMERGENCIES.** Filed 3/13/07. *TO REQUIRE INSURERS TO COVER EXTRA PRESCRIPTIONS DURING A STATE OF EMERGENCY OR DISASTER.*

Enacts new GS 58-3-228 requiring insurers to waive time restrictions for filling or refilling prescriptions when an individual resides in a county that is under a state of emergency or a state of disaster and the prescription medication is requested within 29 days. Insurers must authorize payment for prescriptions dispensed in accordance with the statute regardless of when the prescription was most recently filled. Allows for an extension of the time period for the waiver by 30 days by emergency order issued by the Commissioner of Insurance.

**Intro. by Purcell.**

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