AN ACT

Relating to health benefit plan reimbursement of osteopathic services; and prescribing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2018 Act is added to and made a part of the Insurance Code.

SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section:
   (a) “Health benefit plan” has the meaning given that term in ORS 743B.005.
   (b) “Osteopathic physician” means a person who holds a degree of Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine and is licensed under ORS 677.100 to 677.228.

   (2) An insurer that offers a health benefit plan that reimburses the cost of an osteopathic manipulative treatment provided by an osteopathic physician shall reimburse the cost of the evaluation conducted by the osteopathic physician that resulted in the osteopathic manipulative treatment.

   (3) An insurer may not deny reimbursement for an osteopathic manipulative treatment or an evaluation described in subsection (2) of this section on the basis that the evaluation is conducted on the same date that the osteopathic manipulative treatment is provided.

SECTION 3. Section 2 of this 2018 Act applies to health benefit plans issued, renewed or extended on or after the effective date of this 2018 Act.

SECTION 4. This 2018 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2018 regular session of the Seventy-ninth Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.
Passed by House February 16, 2018

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Timothy G. Sekerak, Chief Clerk of House

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Tina Kotek, Speaker of House

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