

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0282

Wyoming healthcare commission study.

Sponsored by: Joint Labor, Health and Social Services
Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to insurance; providing for a study by the
2 Wyoming healthcare commission of clauses in health
3 insurance excluding coverage for claims related to the
4 insured's participation in clinical trials; providing an
5 appropriation; and providing for an effective date.

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7 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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9 **Section 1.** The Wyoming healthcare commission shall
10 conduct a study of issues related to the exclusion from
11 coverage, under health insurance policies or certificates
12 of health maintenance organizations, of claims related to
13 the insured's participation in a clinical trial of a new
14 pharmaceutical drug or clinical procedure. The study shall
15 seek to identify ways to authorize coverage of routine
16 patient care costs associated with clinical trials while

1 excluding coverage for the direct cost of the item or
2 procedure being tested. The commission shall report the
3 results of its study, with any recommended legislation, to
4 the joint labor, health and social services interim
5 committee by November 1, 2007.

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7 **Section 2.** There is appropriated to the Wyoming
8 healthcare commission for the purposes of this act fifty
9 thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) from the general fund for the
10 period beginning with the effective date of this act and
11 ending December 31, 2007.

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13 **Section 3.** This act is effective immediately upon
14 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law
15 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming
16 Constitution.

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