

ACT 18

S.B. NO. 1675-84

A Bill for an Act Relating to Psychology.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Chapter 431, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

“§431- Psychological service coverage. Notwithstanding any provision of any individual or group accident and sickness insurance policy, whenever the policy provides reimbursement or payment for any service which is within the lawful scope of practice of a psychologist licensed in this State, the person entitled to benefits or performing the service shall be entitled to reimbursement or payment, whether the service is performed by a licensed physician or licensed psychologist.”

SECTION 2. Chapter 433, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

“§433- Psychological service coverage. Notwithstanding any provision of any individual or group hospital or medical service plan contract whenever the contract provides reimbursement or payment for any service which is within the lawful scope of practice of a psychologist licensed in this State, the person entitled to benefits or performing the service shall be entitled to reimbursement or payment, whether the service is performed by a licensed physician or licensed psychologist.”

SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.¹

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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(Approved April 14, 1984.)

Note

1. Edited pursuant to HRS §23G-16.5.