

CHAPTER 107**(SB 96)**

AN ACT relating to health insurance coverage for colorectal cancer detection.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF SUBTITLE 17A OF KRS CHAPTER 304 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

- (1) *A health benefit plan issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2009, shall provide coverage for all colorectal cancer examinations and laboratory tests specified in current American Cancer Society guidelines for colorectal cancer screening of asymptomatic individuals as follows:*
 - (a) *Coverage or benefits shall be provided for all colorectal screening examinations and tests that are administered at a frequency identified in the most recent version of the American Cancer Society guidelines for colorectal cancer screening.*
 - (b) *The covered individual shall be:*
 1. *Fifty (50) years of age or older; or*
 2. *Less than fifty (50) years of age and at high risk for colorectal cancer according to current colorectal cancer screening guidelines of the American Cancer Society.*
- (2) *Coverage under this section shall not be subject to a separate deductible or separate coinsurance, but may be subject to the same deductible or coinsurance established for other laboratory testing under the health benefit plan.*

Signed by Governor April 14, 2008.