



1 having plagiocephaly who are enrolled in the Children's  
2 Medical Services Program.

3 (2) The agency, in consultation with the office, may  
4 contract with an actuary who is a member of the American  
5 Academy of Actuaries and other persons who have an extensive  
6 background in health insurance for the purpose of assisting  
7 the agency in evaluating the medically necessity, efficacy,  
8 and costs of such coverage. The agency shall report its  
9 findings and recommendations related to mandating insurance  
10 coverage for the treatment of plagiocephaly to the President  
11 of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives  
12 no later than January 1, 2006.

13 Section 2. For the 2005-2006 fiscal year, the sum of  
14 \$25,000 is appropriated in nonrecurring funds from the  
15 Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund to the Office of Insurance  
16 Regulation for the purpose of funding the study conducted by  
17 the Agency for Health Care Administration as provided in this  
18 act.

19 Section 3. This act shall take effect on July 1, 2005.  
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STATEMENT OF SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES CONTAINED IN  
COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
Senate Bill 560

The committee substitute provides the following changes:

1. Eliminates the requirement that health insurers and health maintenance organizations provide individual and group coverage for all medically necessary equipment, supplies, supplements, and patient self-management training and educational services used to treat a congenital craniofacial anomaly if the treating physician or the physician specializing in such treatment certifies that such services are necessary.
2. Requires the Agency for Health Care Administration (agency), in consultation with the Office of Insurance Regulation, to conduct a study evaluating the medical necessity, efficacy, and costs associated with mandating health insurance coverage for cranial skull molding orthotics and other therapies used in the treatment of certain craniofacial anomalies. The agency and office are required to submit a report that includes findings and legislative recommendations to the Legislature by January 1, 2006.
3. The bill appropriates \$25,000 from the Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund to the Office of Insurance Regulation for the purpose of funding the study.