1 AN ACT concerning insurance.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Illinois Insurance Code is amended by
changing Section 370b as follows:

6 (215 ILCS 5/370b) (from Ch. 73, par. 982b)

370b. Reimbursement on 7 Sec. equal basis. 8 Notwithstanding any provision of any individual or group policy of accident and health insurance, or any provision of 9 a policy, contract, plan or agreement for hospital or medical 10 service or indemnity, <u>whenever</u> wherever such 11 policy, contract, plan or agreement provides for reimbursement for 12 13 any service provided by persons licensed under the Medical Practice Act of 1987 or the Podiatric Medical Practice Act of 14 1987, the person entitled to benefits or person performing 15 16 services under such policy, contract, plan or agreement is entitled to reimbursement on an equal basis for such service, 17 18 when the service is performed by a person licensed under the Medical Practice Act of 1987 or the Podiatric Medical 19 Practice Act of 1987. The provisions of this Section do not 20 apply to any policy, contract, plan or agreement in effect 21 22 prior to September 19, 1969 or to preferred provider arrangements or benefit agreements. 23

24 (Source: P.A. 90-14, eff. 7-1-97.)