

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 2748**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Chan**

February 22, 2002

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An act to add Section 1367.38 to the Health and Safety Code, relating to health care service plans.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2748, as introduced, Chan. Pre-natal pediatrician visit.

Under existing law, the Knox-Keene Health Care Service Plan Act of 1975, health care service plans are regulated by the Department of Managed Health Care. Existing law provides that a willful violation of the act is a crime.

This bill would require health care service plan contracts issued, amended, delivered, or renewed on or after January 1, 2003, to provide coverage for at least one prenatal visit to a pediatrician by a pregnant enrollee.

Because a violation of this bill's requirement regarding health care service plan contracts would be a crime, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: yes.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 1367.38 is added to the Health and  
2 Safety Code, to read:

3 1367.38. Every health care service plan contract, except a  
4 specialized health care service plan contract, that is issued,  
5 amended, delivered, or renewed on or after January 1, 2003, shall  
6 provide coverage for at least one prenatal visit to a pediatrician by  
7 a pregnant enrollee.

8 SEC. 2. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to  
9 Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because  
10 the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school  
11 district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or  
12 infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty  
13 for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of  
14 the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within  
15 the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California  
16 Constitution.

