

A BILL

entitled

HEALTH INSURANCE AMENDMENT ACT 2026

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Health Insurance Act 1970 to increase the maximum amount paid towards the cost of a kidney transplant in respect of an insured person or a person entitled to full or partial subsidy under section 2 of that Act; and to provide for the Minister to amend the maximum amount by Order subject to the negative resolution procedure, following consultation with the Minister of Finance and the Bermuda Health Council;

Be it enacted by The King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and the House of Assembly of Bermuda, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Citation

1 This Act, which amends the Health Insurance Act 1970, may be cited as the Health Insurance Amendment Act 2026.

Amends section 3A

2 Section 3A of the Health Insurance Act 1970 is amended—

(a) in subsection (2E)(b) by deleting “\$150,000” and substituting “\$400,000”;

(b) by inserting the following after subsection (2I)—

“(2J) The Minister may, following consultation with the Minister of Finance and the Bermuda Health Council, by order subject to the negative resolution procedure, amend the dollar amount under subsection (2E)(b).”.

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend the Health Insurance Act 1970.

Clause 1 is self-explanatory.

Clause 2 amends section 3A (“Mutual Re-insurance Fund”) of the Health Insurance Act 1970 in subsection (2E)(b) by increasing the maximum amount towards the cost of a kidney transplant from \$150,000 to \$400,000; and by inserting a new subsection (2J) to provide for the Minister responsible for health to amend the maximum amount under subsection (2E)(b) by Order subject to the negative resolution procedure, following consultation with the Minister of Finance and the Bermuda Health Council.