

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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2025-2026 Regular Sessions

## IN SENATE

March 17, 2025

Introduced by Sen. BAILEY -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Insurance

AN ACT to amend the insurance law, in relation to including image-guided biopsies under certain insurance coverage for breast cancer screening

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Item (iv) of subparagraph (A) of paragraph 11 of subsection  
2 (i) of section 3216 of the insurance law, as amended by chapter 424 of  
3 the laws of 2024, is amended to read as follows:

4 (iv) upon the recommendation of a physician, screening and diagnostic  
5 imaging, including diagnostic mammograms, breast ultrasounds, image-  
6 guided breast biopsies, or magnetic resonance imaging, recommended by  
7 nationally recognized clinical practice guidelines for the detection of  
8 breast cancer. For the purposes of this item, "nationally recognized  
9 clinical practice guidelines" means evidence-based clinical practice  
10 guidelines informed by a systematic review of evidence and an assessment  
11 of the benefits, and risks of alternative care options intended to opti-  
12 mize patient care developed by independent organizations or medical  
13 professional societies utilizing a transparent methodology and reporting  
14 structure and with a conflict of interest policy.

15 § 2. Item (v) of subparagraph (A) of paragraph 11 of subsection (1) of  
16 section 3221 of the insurance law, as amended by chapter 424 of the laws  
17 of 2024, is amended to read as follows:

18 (v) upon the recommendation of a physician, screening and diagnostic  
19 imaging, including diagnostic mammograms, breast ultrasounds, image-  
20 guided breast biopsies, or magnetic resonance imaging, recommended by  
21 nationally recognized clinical practice guidelines for the detection of  
22 breast cancer. For the purposes of this item, "nationally recognized  
23 clinical practice guidelines" means evidence-based clinical practice  
24 guidelines informed by a systematic review of evidence and an assessment  
25 of the benefits, and risks of alternative care options intended to opti-

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets  
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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1 mize patient care developed by independent organizations or medical  
2 professional societies utilizing a transparent methodology and reporting  
3 structure and with a conflict of interest policy.

4 § 3. Subparagraph (E) of paragraph 1 of subsection (p) of section 4303  
5 of the insurance law, as amended by chapter 424 of the laws of 2024, is  
6 amended to read as follows:

7 (E) upon the recommendation of a physician, screening and diagnostic  
8 imaging, including diagnostic mammograms, breast ultrasounds, image-  
9 guided breast biopsies, or magnetic resonance imaging, recommended by  
10 nationally recognized clinical practice guidelines for the detection of  
11 breast cancer. For the purposes of this subparagraph, "nationally recog-  
12 nized clinical practice guidelines" means evidence-based clinical prac-  
13 tice guidelines informed by a systematic review of evidence and an  
14 assessment of the benefits, and risks of alternative care options  
15 intended to optimize patient care developed by independent organizations  
16 or medical professional societies utilizing a transparent methodology  
17 and reporting structure and with a conflict of interest policy; and

18 § 4. This act shall take effect January 1, 2026 and shall apply to all  
19 policies and contracts issued, renewed, modified, altered or amended on  
20 or after such date; provided, however, that if chapter 424 of the laws  
21 of 2024 shall not have taken effect on or before such date then this act  
22 shall take effect on the same date and in the same manner as such chap-  
23 ter of the laws of 2024 takes effect.