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Legislative Impact Statement

To: Representative Donovan, Chairperson
From: Elisabeth Hubbard, Executive Secretary
Re: 26 Senate 7075

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The Governor's Commission on Disabilities' Legislation Committee has developed a Legislative Impact Statement on the bill listed below. The Commission would be pleased to present testimony to the committee. Please contact me (462-0110) if testimony is desired or for additional information.

By Representative McGaw

Caps amount payable for 30 day supply of equipment/supplies for insulin administration/glucose monitoring at \$25 or equipment designed to last more than 30 days with no deductible commencing January 1, 2026.

Legislation Committee finds this bill Beneficial

People who live with diabetes are subject to hypoglycemia, low blood sugar. This is a dangerous condition that can lead to dizziness, cognitive difficulties, nausea and eventually loss of consciousness, seizures and even death. A serious episode is a medical emergency that requires treatment and possibly hospitalization.

Glucagon is a fast, safe intervention that can reverse hypoglycemia before it becomes a more serious episode. While it is easy to administer and effective, the cost is high. If one looks on Good RX (a prescription comparison shopping website) the out-of-pocket cost of generic glucagon at major retailers in Rhode Island can be \$200-300.

(<https://www.goodrx.com/glucagon>) This in addition to the other high costs a person with diabetes must bear- insulin, monitors, testing strips, syringes, etc.

Lowering the cost of this important medication will ease the cost burden for people living with diabetes, and also enable them to intervene quickly when faced with these dangerous symptoms.

cc: Rico Vota, Governor's Office of Legislative Affairs