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(A) SECTIONS 468B THROUGH 468H OF THIS SUBTITLE MAY BE CITED AS THE MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT AND SPECIFIED DISEASE ACT.

~~(A)~~ (B) (1) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

~~(B)~~ (2) "MEDICARE" MEANS THE HEALTH INSURANCE FOR THE AGED PROGRAM UNDER TITLE XVIII OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT.

~~(C)~~ (3) "MEDICARE BENEFIT PERIOD" MEANS THE UNIT OF TIME USED IN THE MEDICARE PROGRAM TO MEASURE USE OF SERVICES AND AVAILABILITY OF BENEFITS UNDER MEDICARE PART A.

~~(D)~~ (4) "MEDICARE ELIGIBLE EXPENSES" MEANS HEALTH CARE EXPENSES OF THE KINDS COVERED BY MEDICARE TO THE EXTENT THESE SERVICES ARE CONSIDERED REASONABLE UNDER MEDICARE RULES AND REGULATIONS.

~~(E)~~ (5) "MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT POLICY" OR "MEDIGAP POLICY" MEANS A POLICY OF HEALTH INSURANCE PRIMARILY DESIGNED TO SUPPLEMENT MEDICARE, OR ADVERTISED, MARKETED, OR OTHERWISE PURPORTED TO BE A SUPPLEMENT TO MEDICARE COVERAGE.

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~~(a)--All-individual-and-group-health-insurance-policies providing--coverage--on--an--expense--incurred--basis--and individual--and--group--service--or--indemnity--type--contracts issued--by--a--nonprofit--corporation--which--provide--coverage--for--a--family--member--of--the--insured--or--subscriber--shall--as--to such--family--members--coverage--also--provide--that--the--health insurance--benefits--applicable--for--children--shall--be--payable with--respect--to--a--newly--born--child--of--the--insured--or subscriber--from--the--moment--of--birth-~~

~~(b)--The--coverage--for--newly--born--children--shall--also consist--of--coverage--of--injury--or--sickness--including--the necessary--care--and--treatment--of--medically--diagnosed congenital--defects--and--birth--abnormalities-~~

~~(c)--If--payment--of--a--specific--premium--or--subscription fee--is--required--to--provide--coverage--for--a--child--the--policy or--contract--may--require--that--notification--of--birth--of--a newly--born--child--and--payment--of--the--required--premium--or--fees must--be--furnished--to--the--insurer--or--nonprofit--service--or indemnity--corporation--within--31--days--after--the--date--of--birth in--order--to--have--the--coverage--continue--beyond--such--31--day period-~~

~~(d)--The--requirements--of--this--section--shall--apply--to all--insurance--policies--and--subscriber--contracts--delivered--or issued--for--delivery--in--this--State--more--than--120--days--after January--17--1975-}~~