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**AN BILLE ÁRACHAIS SLÁINTE (LEASÚ), 2019
HEALTH INSURANCE (AMENDMENT) BILL 2019**

Bill

entitled

An Act to amend the Health Insurance Act 1994 to specify the amount of premium to be paid from the Risk Equalisation Fund in respect of certain classes of insured persons from 1 April 2020; to amend that Act to specify the amount of the hospital utilisation credit applicable from 1 April 2020; to make a consequential amendment to the Stamp Duties Consolidation Act 1999; and to provide for related matters. 5

Be it enacted by the Oireachtas as follows: 10

Definition

1. In this Act, “Principal Act” means the Health Insurance Act 1994.

Amendment of section 11C of Principal Act

2. Section 11C of the Principal Act is amended, in subsection (1)(b), by the substitution of “1 April 2020” for “1 April 2019”. 15

Hospital Utilisation Credit – amendment of amount specified

3. (1) The Principal Act is amended by the substitution of the following Schedule for Schedule 3:

“SCHEDULE 3

AMOUNT SPECIFIED FOR PURPOSES OF DEFINITION OF ‘HOSPITAL UTILISATION CREDIT’ 20

1. For the provision of in-patient services on overnight accommodation basis - €100 per night.
2. For the provision of in-patient services on day case basis - €75.”.

- (2) Schedule 3 to the Principal Act, as substituted by *subsection (1)*, only applies in the case of a health insurance contract entered into or renewed on or after 1 April 2020 (and, accordingly, that Schedule, as in force immediately before that date, shall continue to apply in the case of a health insurance contract entered into or renewed on or after 1 April 2018 but before 1 April 2020). 25

Amendment of Schedule 4 to Principal Act

4. Schedule 4 to the Principal Act is amended by the substitution of the following Table for Table 2:

“TABLE 2
AMOUNTS APPLICABLE ON OR AFTER 1 APRIL 2020

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Class of Insured Person	Amount of premium to be paid from Fund
Male aged 50 years and over but less than 55 years on the date the relevant contract (being a relevant contract (non-advanced cover)) is renewed or entered into, as the case may be	Nil
Male aged 50 years and over but less than 55 years on the date the relevant contract (being a relevant contract (advanced cover)) is renewed or entered into, as the case may be	Nil
Female aged 50 years and over but less than 55 years on the date the relevant contract (being a relevant contract (non-advanced cover)) is renewed or entered into, as the case may be	Nil
Female aged 50 years and over but less than 55 years on the date the relevant contract (being a relevant contract (advanced cover)) is renewed or entered into, as the case may be	Nil
Male aged 55 years and over but less than 60 years on the date the relevant contract (being a relevant contract (non-advanced cover)) is renewed or entered into, as the case may be	Nil
Male aged 55 years and over but less than 60 years on the date the relevant contract (being a relevant contract (advanced cover)) is renewed or entered into, as the case may be	Nil
Female aged 55 years and over but less than 60 years on the date the relevant contract (being a relevant contract (non-advanced cover)) is renewed or entered into, as the case may be	Nil
Female aged 55 years and over but less than 60 years on the date the relevant contract (being a relevant contract (advanced cover)) is renewed or entered into, as the case may be	Nil
Male aged 60 years and over but less than 65 years on the date the relevant contract (being a relevant contract (non-advanced cover)) is renewed or entered into, as the case may be	Nil
Male aged 60 years and over but less than 65 years on the date the relevant contract (being a relevant contract (advanced cover)) is renewed or entered into, as the case may be	Nil

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Class of Insured Person	Amount of premium to be paid from Fund	
Female aged 60 years and over but less than 65 years on the date the relevant contract (being a relevant contract (non-advanced cover)) is renewed or entered into, as the case may be	Nil	5
Female aged 60 years and over but less than 65 years on the date the relevant contract (being a relevant contract (advanced cover)) is renewed or entered into, as the case may be	Nil	10
Male aged 65 years and over but less than 70 years on the date the relevant contract (being a relevant contract (non-advanced cover)) is renewed or entered into, as the case may be	€350	15
Male aged 65 years and over but less than 70 years on the date the relevant contract (being a relevant contract (advanced cover)) is renewed or entered into, as the case may be	€1,150	
Female aged 65 years and over but less than 70 years on the date the relevant contract (being a relevant contract (non-advanced cover)) is renewed or entered into, as the case may be	€225	20
Female aged 65 years and over but less than 70 years on the date the relevant contract (being a relevant contract (advanced cover)) is renewed or entered into, as the case may be	€675	25
Male aged 70 years and over but less than 75 years on the date the relevant contract (being a relevant contract (non-advanced cover)) is renewed or entered into, as the case may be	€575	30
Male aged 70 years and over but less than 75 years on the date the relevant contract (being a relevant contract (advanced cover)) is renewed or entered into, as the case may be	€1,850	35
Female aged 70 years and over but less than 75 years on the date the relevant contract (being a relevant contract (non-advanced cover)) is renewed or entered into, as the case may be	€425	40
Female aged 70 years and over but less than 75 years on the date the relevant contract (being a relevant contract (advanced cover)) is renewed or entered into, as the case may be	€1,300	45
Male aged 75 years and over but less than 80 years on the date the relevant contract (being a relevant contract (non-advanced cover)) is renewed or entered into, as the case may be	€850	50
Male aged 75 years and over but less than 80 years on the date the relevant contract (being a relevant contract (advanced cover)) is renewed or entered into, as the case may be	€2,650	55

Class of Insured Person	Amount of premium to be paid from Fund	
Female aged 75 years and over but less than 80 years on the date the relevant contract (being a relevant contract (non-advanced cover)) is renewed or entered into, as the case may be	€625	5
Female aged 75 years and over but less than 80 years on the date the relevant contract (being a relevant contract (advanced cover)) is renewed or entered into, as the case may be	€1,950	10
Male aged 80 years and over but less than 85 years on the date the relevant contract (being a relevant contract (non-advanced cover)) is renewed or entered into, as the case may be	€1,075	15
Male aged 80 years and over but less than 85 years on the date the relevant contract (being a relevant contract (advanced cover)) is renewed or entered into, as the case may be	€3,350	
Female aged 80 years and over but less than 85 years on the date the relevant contract (being a relevant contract (non-advanced cover)) is renewed or entered into, as the case may be	€775	20
Female aged 80 years and over but less than 85 years on the date the relevant contract (being a relevant contract (advanced cover)) is renewed or entered into, as the case may be	€2,525	25
Male aged 85 years and over on the date the relevant contract (being a relevant contract (non-advanced cover)) is renewed or entered into, as the case may be	€1,225	30
Male aged 85 years and over on the date the relevant contract (being a relevant contract (advanced cover)) is renewed or entered into, as the case may be	€4,300	35
Female aged 85 years and over on the date the relevant contract (being a relevant contract (non-advanced cover)) is renewed or entered into, as the case may be	€925	40
Female aged 85 years and over on the date the relevant contract (being a relevant contract (advanced cover)) is renewed or entered into, as the case may be	€3,025	45

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Amendment of section 125A of Stamp Duties Consolidation Act 1999

5. Section 125A of the Stamp Duties Consolidation Act 1999 is amended by the substitution of the following definition for the definition of “specified rate”:

“ ‘specified rate’ means—

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- (a) in respect of relevant contracts renewed or entered into on or after 1 April 2019 and on or before 31 March 2020—
 - (i) €59 in respect of an insured person aged less than 18 years insured under a relevant contract which provides for non-advanced cover, 5
 - (ii) €148 in respect of an insured person aged less than 18 years insured under a relevant contract which provides for advanced cover,
 - (iii) €177 in respect of an insured person aged 18 years or over insured under a relevant contract which provides for non-advanced cover, and 10
 - (iv) €444 in respect of an insured person aged 18 years or over insured under a relevant contract which provides for advanced cover,
- and 15
- (b) in respect of relevant contracts renewed or entered into on or after 1 April 2020—
 - (i) €52 in respect of an insured person aged less than 18 years insured under a relevant contract which provides for non-advanced cover, 20
 - (ii) €150 in respect of an insured person aged less than 18 years insured under a relevant contract which provides for advanced cover,
 - (iii) €157 in respect of an insured person aged 18 years or over insured under a relevant contract which provides for non-advanced cover, and 25
 - (iv) €449 in respect of an insured person aged 18 years or over insured under a relevant contract which provides for advanced cover.”.

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6. (1) This Act may be cited as the Health Insurance (Amendment) Act 2019.
- (2) (a) *Section 5* shall come into operation on 1 January 2020.
- (b) *Sections 2, 3 and 4* shall come into operation on 1 April 2020.
- (3) The Health Insurance Acts 1994 to 2018 and this Act (other than *section 5*) may be cited together as the Health Insurance Acts 1994 to 2019 and shall be construed together as one. 35

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dá ngairtear

Acht do leasú an Achta Árachais Sláinte, 1994 d'fhonn méid na préimhe a íocfar as an gCiste um Chothromú Fiontar i leith aicmí áirithe daoine árachaithe ón 1 Aibreán 2020 a shonrú; do leasú an Achta sin d'fhonn méid an chreidmheasa úsáide ospidéal is infheidhme ón 1 Aibreán 2020 a shonrú; do dhéanamh leasú iarmhartach ar an Acht Comhdhlúite Dleachtanna Stampa, 1999; agus do dhéanamh socrú i dtaobh nithe gaolmhara.

An tAire Sláinte a thíolaic,
19 Samhain, 2019

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Presented by the Minister for Health,
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