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To enact sections 1751.661 and 3923.602 of the 1
Revised Code to require insurers that provide 2
coverage for the influenza vaccine to cover a 3
thimerosal-free influenza vaccine for children 4
under six years of age. 5

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That sections 1751.661 and 3923.602 of the Revised 6
Code be enacted to read as follows: 7

Sec. 1751.661. Notwithstanding section 3901.71 of the Revised 8
Code, any individual or group health insuring corporation policy, 9
contract, or agreement that provides coverage for influenza 10
vaccinations shall provide coverage for a thimerosal-free 11
influenza vaccination for children under six years of age who are 12
covered under the policy, contract, or agreement. 13

Sec. 3923.602. Notwithstanding section 3901.71 of the Revised 14
Code, any individual or group policy of sickness and accident 15
insurance or public employee benefit plan that provides coverage 16
for influenza vaccinations shall provide coverage for a 17
thimerosal-free influenza vaccination for children under six years 18
of age who are covered under the policy or plan. 19