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SENATE BILL 16-127

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING THE REPEAL OF THE "MEDICAL CLEAN CLAIMS
102 TRANSPARENCY AND UNIFORMITY ACT".

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://www.leg.state.co.us/bills/summaries>.)

In 2010, the general assembly passed the "Medical Clean Claims Transparency and Uniformity Act" (Act). The purpose of the Act was to require the executive director of the department of health care policy and financing to establish a task force of industry and government representatives to develop a standardized set of payment rules and claim edits to be used by payers and health care providers in Colorado. The bill

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

repeals the Act.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 25-37-101 as
3 follows:

4 **25-37-101. Applicability of article.** ~~Except as provided in section~~
5 ~~25-37-106~~, A person or entity that contracts with a health care provider
6 shall comply with this article and shall include the provisions required by
7 this article in the contract.

8 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25-37-102, **repeal** (4)
9 as follows:

10 **25-37-102. Definitions.** As used in this article, unless the context
11 otherwise requires:

12 (4) ~~"Edit" means a practice or procedure, consistent with the~~
13 ~~standardized set of payment rules and claim edits developed pursuant to~~
14 ~~section 25-37-106, pursuant to which one or more adjustments are made~~
15 ~~regarding procedure codes, including the CPT code sets and the HCPCS,~~
16 ~~that results in:~~

17 ~~(a) Payment for some, but not all, of the codes;~~
18 ~~(b) Payment for a different code;~~
19 ~~(c) A reduced payment as a result of services provided to a patient~~
20 ~~that are claimed under more than one code on the same service date;~~

21 ~~(d) A modified payment related to a permissible and legitimate~~
22 ~~modifier used with a procedure code, as specified in section 25-37-106~~
23 ~~(2); or~~

24 ~~(e) A reduced payment based on multiple units of the same code~~
25 ~~billed for a single date of service.~~

1 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **repeal** 25-37-106.

2 **SECTION 4. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
3 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
4 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August
5 10, 2016, if adjournment sine die is on May 11, 2016); except that, if a
6 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the
7 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act
8 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect
9 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
10 November 2016 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
11 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.