

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AMENDMENT

Committee on Health & Insurance.

HB21-1198 be amended as follows:

- 1 Amend printed bill, page 4, after line 23 insert:
  - 2 "(7) "UNINSURED" MEANS AN UNINSURED INDIVIDUAL, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 10-22-113 (5)(d).".
  - 4 Page 5, line 22, after "RULES." insert "A PATIENT'S DECISION TO DECLINE THE SCREENING THAT IS DOCUMENTED AND COMPLIES WITH STATE DEPARTMENT RULES IS A COMPLETE DEFENSE TO A CLAIM BROUGHT BY A PATIENT UNDER SECTION 25.5-3-506 (2) FOR A VIOLATION OF SECTION 25.5-3-506 (1)(a) OR (1)(b).".
  - 9 Page 6, line 5, strike "EIGHTY" and substitute "THE DISCOUNTED RATE ESTABLISHED IN STATE DEPARTMENT RULE PURSUANT TO SECTION 25.5-3-505 (2)(j);".
  - 12 Page 6, strike line 6.
  - 13 Page 6, line 9, strike "FIVE" and substitute "FOUR".
  - 14 Page 6, strike lines 10 and 11 and substitute "MONTHLY HOUSEHOLD INCOME ON A BILL FROM A HEALTH-CARE FACILITY AND NOT PAYING MORE THAN TWO PERCENT OF THE PATIENT'S MONTHLY HOUSEHOLD INCOME ON A BILL FROM A LICENSED HEALTH-CARE PROFESSIONAL; AND".
  - 18 Page 7, line 10, strike "VERBALLY" and substitute "VERBALLY, WHICH MAY INCLUDE USING A PROFESSIONAL INTERPRETATION SERVICE,".
  - 20 Page 8, line 11, strike "DOCUMENTING" and substitute "DOCUMENTING, PURSUANT TO SECTION 25.5-3-502 (4),".
  - 22 Page 8, strike line 12 and substitute "MADE AN INFORMED DECISION TO DECLINE THE SCREENING, INCLUDING PROCEDURES FOR RETAINING SUCH DOCUMENTATION;".
  - 25 Page 9, line 6, strike "AND".
  - 26 Page 9, line 10, strike "25.5-3-502." and substitute "25.5-3-502; AND (j) ANNUALLY ESTABLISH RATES FOR DISCOUNTED CARE PURSUANT TO SECTION 25.5-3-503 (1)(a). THE RATES SHOULD APPROXIMATE AND NOT BE LESS THAN EIGHTY PERCENT OF THE MEDICARE RATE OR, IF A MEDICARE RATE IS NOT AVAILABLE, ONE HUNDRED PERCENT

1 OF THE MEDICAID BASE RATE. THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL PUBLICLY  
2 POST THE ESTABLISHED RATES ON THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE.".

3 Page 9, after line 18 insert:

4 "(4) PRIOR TO PROMULGATING RULES PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION,  
5 THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL HOLD AT LEAST ONE STAKEHOLDER  
6 MEETING WITH HOSPITAL REPRESENTATIVES, HEALTH-CARE CONSUMERS,  
7 AND HEALTH-CARE CONSUMER ADVOCATES THAT IS ACCESSIBLE TO  
8 INDIVIDUALS WHOSE PRIMARY LANGUAGE IS NOT ENGLISH, IF  
9 REQUESTED.".

10 Renumber succeeding subsections accordingly.

11 Page 9, line 21, strike "DEVELOP" and substitute "USING FEEDBACK FROM  
12 HOSPITAL HEALTH-CARE CONSUMERS AND HEALTH-CARE CONSUMER  
13 ADVOCATE STAKEHOLDERS, DEVELOP".

14 Page 11, line 6, strike "(4)(b)(II)" and substitute "(5)(b)(II)".

15 Page 11, line 15, strike "(4)(b)" and substitute "(5)(b)".

16 Page 11, strike lines 26 and 27 and substitute "PURSUANT TO SECTION  
17 25.5-3-503;".

18 Page 12, strike line 1.

19 Page 12, line 2, strike "PROVIDE" and substitute "A HEALTH-CARE  
20 FACILITY AND LICENSED HEALTH-CARE PROFESSIONAL SHALL PROVIDE".

21 Page 12, line 4, strike "ACTIONS." and substitute "ACTIONS; AND  
22 (d) A HEALTH-CARE FACILITY AND HEALTH-CARE PROFESSIONAL  
23 SHALL BILL ANY THIRD-PARTY PAYER THAT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR  
24 PROVIDING HEALTH-CARE COVERAGE TO THE PATIENT.".

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